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Minister's Message

It is a pleasure for me to introduce the twenty-third edition of *Social Services for Nova Scotians, 1987.*

This publication provides an overview of departmental programs and a great deal of statistical information on these programs, and serves as an ongoing historical record of events and activities.

This is the last edition that will carry the name Social Services, as the Department's name will soon become the Department of Community Services to reflect its broadening array of preventative approaches, including home care and employment programs for assistance recipients, which are now being developed.

Thomas J. McInnis
Minister of Community Services

Honourable Edmund L. Morris receives the Report of the Task Force on Family and Children's Services *from co-chairpersons Miss Bessie Harris and Dr. David Stevenson*

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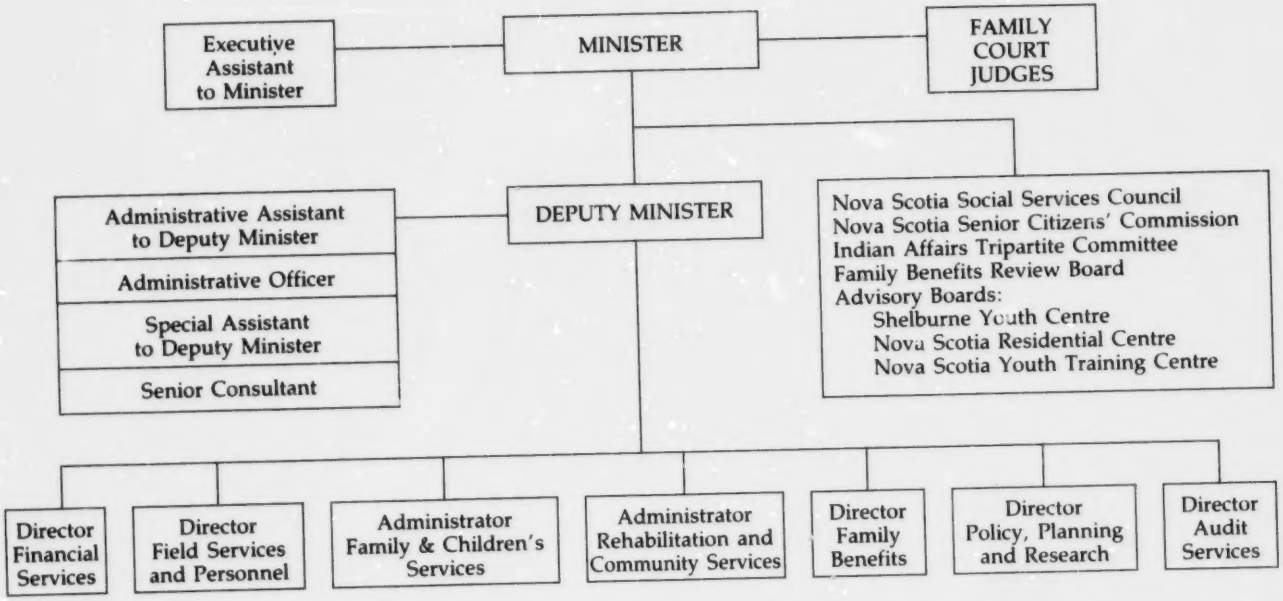

Ministers **who have served the Department since its beginning are as follows:**

Frank Roy Davis	1933-1948
Lauchlin David Currie	1948-1949
Alexander Hugh MacKinnon	1949-1950
Harold Connolly	1950-1954
Geoffrey Stevens	1954-1955
J. Clyde Nunn	1955-1956
Richard Donahoe	1956-1958
Malcolm Leonard	1958-1960
W.S.K. Jones	1960-1964
James M. Harding	1964-1968
Percy Gaum	1968-1969
Gordon A. Tidman	1969-1970
Allan E. Sullivan	1970-1972
William Gillis	1972-1973
Harold Huskilson	1973-1976
Bill MacEachern	1976-1978
Jack MacIssac	1978-1979
Laird Stirling	1979-1981
Edmund L. Morris	1981-1987
Thomas J. McInnis	1987-

Deputy Ministers **who have served the Department since its beginning are as follows:**

Ernest H. Blois	Deputy Head	1933-1944
	Deputy Minister	1944-1947
Hiram S. Farquhar	Deputy Head	1947-1959
Fred R. MacKinnon	Deputy Head	1947-1959
	Deputy Minister	1959-1980
John Angus MacKenzie	Deputy Minister	1980-1985
Gwen Pickering	Deputy Minister	1985-1986
Carmen Moir	Deputy Minister	1986-

Mr. Carmen Moir, Deputy Minister, Department of Social Services, and Mrs. Sheila Keizer and Mrs. Doris Holland

Staff of the Deputy Minister

Recent Developments in Social Services

- A co-ordinated home-care program has been announced, with provincial, regional, and local co-ordination of homemakers services and nursing care in the home through local homemakers' agencies.
- The *Report of the Task Force on Family and Children's Services*, the most far-reaching study of its kind ever undertaken in Nova Scotia, is being reviewed, the 65 recommendations in the report are being considered, and a major package of amendments to the Children's Services Act is being prepared.
- A tripartite rate setting mechanism has been put in place to establish per diem rates for licensed Homes for Special Care.
- Studies have been initiated in the Halifax-Dartmouth area and in industrial Cape Breton to develop 20-year plans for services to the mentally handicapped and the post-mentally ill. The studies are being conducted jointly with the municipalities involved.
- The Department of Social Services has opened a specialized nursing unit for Cape Breton children in the Children's Training Centre in Sydney.
- A pilot program is being developed in the Kentville and Dartmouth Family Courts to computerize maintenance orders collections and enforcement, with the intention of expanding the system to all Family Court locations in Nova Scotia.
- The Department has undertaken a major media campaign against wife battering. This campaign was designed to increase public awareness of the problem and to aid in its prevention.
- A sixth transition house has been opened, to serve the South Shore, and two additional transition houses, to serve Colchester, East Hants and Cumberland, are in prospect.
- Judge Corrine E. Sparks was appointed Family Court Judge in Truro, Judge R. Jim Williams was appointed Family Court Judge in Dartmouth and Judge Robert C. Hebb was appointed Family Court Judge in Lunenburg.
- Family Benefits regulations have been amended to permit payment of Family Benefits to single fathers with dependent children and to increase shelter allowances. The cost of Family Benefits, including Pharmacare coverage for disabled recipients, is now $131 million a year.
- A young offender youth resource centre has been opened in Sydney. The centre is operated by the Salvation Army and its operating cost is funded by the Department of Social Services.

Community Service Awards

The Community Service Award was instituted in 1977 to give recognition to individuals and organizations providing voluntary service to their communities. To date, there have been 163 recipients of the award.

The following recipients were honoured on April 9, 1987:

Ida Austin, Kentville
Iola Beaman, Halifax
Evelyn Calnan, Dartmouth
Sister Florence Mary Campbell, New Waterford
Sister Mary Ann Chiasson, New Waterford
Margaret C. Cann, Yarmouth
Gerald and Lucille d'Entremont, Pubnico
Harold and Joan Dunnington, Annapolis Royal
Ralph D. Ferguson, Pictou
John Goodey, Eastern Passage
Eva Graves, Halifax
Stuart McQuinn, Halifax
Henry Muggah, Q.C., D.C.L., Halifax
Oxford Area Lions Club, Oxford
Parrsboro Lions Club, Parrsboro
Jean Skinner, Pictou
David R. Stevenson, Truro

Premier John Buchanan and Honourable Edmund L. Morris with recipients of the 1987 Community Service Awards

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Advisory Boards

Nova Scotia Social Services Council

Reverend Vincent Ihasz, Chairman
Bessie Harris, M.S.W., Executive Secretary

The 16-member Nova Scotia Social Services Council is a citizen advisory committee reporting directly to the Minister. Since its establishment in 1971 the Council has met at public and private meetings with various individuals and interest groups and undertaken many projects on subjects ranging from child abuse to social assistance.

During the past year, Council has actively pursued its interest in Family and Children's Services. It submitted a brief to the Task Force on Family and Children's Services and undertook a thorough review of the final report of the task force.

Most members of the council attended the first-ever Nova Scotia Conference on the Family, where several undertook the responsibilities of workshop chairpersons or rapporteurs.

Council held six meetings during the year and the Executive held five meetings. One of the regular Council meetings was held in New Glasgow, where Council members had an opportunity to visit the Pictou Children's Training Centre and to discuss current and future

programming for mentally handicapped children with Mrs. Nina Clarke, the Superintendent.

Some of the other subjects explored by Council this past year were summer programs for handicapped and disadvantaged children and adults, community alternatives for young offenders, and the Adult Protection Program implemented by the Department of Social Services.

Nova Scotia Senior Citizens' Commission

Jack Glassey, Chairman
Allan Clark, Co-ordinator

The Nova Scotia Senior Citizens' Commission was established in 1972 under the Senior Citizens' Social Services Act. The Commission consists of 19 private citizens, many of them seniors, who come from all parts of the province and are appointed by the Executive Council for three years or for a shorter term. Representatives from the departments of Education, Health, and Culture, Recreation and Fitness, and from the Senior Citizens' Secretariat also participate in Commission meetings, bringing the total membership to 23.

The mandate of the Commission is to:

- conduct, direct and promote fact-finding studies and research related to aging
- seek out and encourage people interested in providing voluntary services to citizen groups concerned with aging
- promote new activities and social services for senior citizens through voluntary agencies and all levels of government
- review existing legislation and government programs and make recommendations as to how these may be improved to provide better services for senior citizens, and
- provide any duties assigned by the Governor-in-Council or the Minister of Social Services.

During the 1986/87 fiscal year the Commission met on five occasions, and the Executive also met five times. Some of the activities undertaken by the Commission during the year were:

- members represented the Nova Scotia Senior Citizens' Commission on the interdepartmental committee at all public hearings on comprehensive home care throughout the province
- a report of the Commission's views and recommendations was sent to the Minister of Social Services
- regional meetings and workshops with seniors' councils and clubs were held in Annapolis and Kings counties and Port Hawkesbury
- post-retirement workshops were held in the Valley region
- a representative of the Commission attended the Canadian Association of Gerontology's annual meeting in Quebec City
- the Commission invited several speakers from various organizations and government departments to its regular meetings to address it on topics related to seniors, and
- the Commission published an updated version of the *Directory of Senior Citizen Clubs and Councils* in 1986.

Honourable Edmund L. Morris presenting an Outstanding Public Service Award to Miss Gwen Pickering on her retirement as Acting Deputy Minister

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Family and Children's Services Division

W.D. Greatorex, R.S.W., Administrator

Each of the four program areas of the Family and Children's Services Division is organized as a separate section with its own director. The four sections are:

- Family and Children's Services
- Day Care Services
- Homemakers Services, and
- Young Offender and Court Services.

Briefly, the Family and Children's Services Section is responsible for traditional child-welfare services, including child protection services, children in care and custody, adoption services, and services to single parents. In four counties and the City of Dartmouth, these programs are provided by department staff; in the rest of the province, private children's services agencies are responsible for the delivery of these services (see Tables 1 and 2).

The Day Care Services Section is responsible for the licensing of all preschool programs caring for four or more children, and for administering the subsidy program that is available to families placing children in registered centres.

Staff of the Family and Children's Services Division

The Homemakers Services Section is responsible for the support and monitoring of homemakers services across Nova Scotia and for the administration of the grants which the province makes available to such organizations.

The Young Offender and Court Services Section oversees the services provided to children who have been charged under the Young Offenders Act and supervises the operation of the Shelburne Youth Centre. It is also responsible for the non-legal services of the Family Court (i.e., enforcement, intake, and counselling) where available.

A few highlights for the Family and Children's Services Division during the 1986/77 fiscal year:

- The Task Force on Family and Children's Services completed its deliberations, and the report of the task force was submitted to the Minister in early 1987. Of the 65 recommendations contained in the report, 10 were identified as being of highest priority and were singled out for urgent consideration. These 10 recommendations dealt with matters such as the implementation of a family policy, the co-ordination of services to families and children, caseload sizes of social service workers, the development of a position of co-ordinator of services to adolescents and residential facilities, the development of three crisis assessment centres, the strengthening of the foster care system, the development of a provincial protocol to deal with child

abuse, the funding of early intervention programs, day care services, and staff training. A commitment was made to examine the report in detail at a Conference on the Family convened at Saint Francis Xavier University on June 21-23, 1987. At that time, considerable support was given to the content of the report and to the prioritization of the recommendations that came out of the report. Action was initiated on a number of areas dealt with by the report, and these will be seen in greater detail below.

- The stabilization of the changes to the Shelburne Youth Centre and the Nova Scotia Residential Centre continued during the year. Efforts were made to limit the number of children being placed at the Nova Scotia Residential Centre so the staff there could meaningfully meet the needs of children placed at the centre. Arrangements were made for the services of a child psychiatrist to work with the children and to assist the staff in this undertaking. More recently, approval was received for the appointment of a full-time clinical person to the centre.
- With the stabilization of the population at the Shelburne Youth Centre, the groupings of young people were restructured to more appropriately reflect their backgrounds and developmental and legal histories. Staff was allocated to respond to the needs of the various groups.
- The committee of Deputy Ministers studying home care in Nova Scotia completed its review of this matter and its report was submitted to government. It is clear that the homemakers program will become a major part of home care services, and the administrative arrangement of homemakers programs will be altered in the foreseeable future.
- *Sharing the Responsibility: Report of the Special Committee on Child Care* was make public in March 1987 by the Government of Canada, and consultations between provincial and federal officials have begun. Further discussions are to be held at the ministerial level before the federal government announces its position with respect to day care services. It is anticipated that these announcements will have a positive effect on day care services in the province.
- During the year, legislation was passed at the federal and provincial levels that will help considerably in locating persons who are not fulfilling their obligations related to maintenance orders made against them. Both pieces of legislation are subject to proclamation, and they will be proclaimed simultaneously. The Department of Social Services is also currently involved in a major program to automate the record keeping related to maintenance orders in the province, which now number 9,593.

Family and Children's Services Section

Trevor Townsend, M.S.W., Director

The Family and Children's Services Section provides the following services: protection services, services to children in care and custody, child caring facilities, services to unmarried mothers, adoption services, family counselling services, and transition houses.

Protection Services

Thirteen private agencies and five district offices of the Department of Social Services provide protection services under the Children's Services Act.

Protection services are the backbone of Family and Children's Services. The overall philosophy and priority of this service is to keep families together while protecting children from abuse and neglect. The better the protection services provided in the community, the fewer the children who will be taken into care.

A Child Abuse Register has been established since 1976. Under the Children's Services Act, anyone knowing of a child who appears to be in need of protection must report the situation to a local child caring agency. Once this report is investigated by the agency, and the abuse is substantiated, the case is placed in the Child Abuse Register. The goal is to protect the children involved and to help parents meet their obligations to their children. During the calendar year 1986, 480 cases were reported to the Child Abuse Register. Of these, 268 cases were recorded. Through the right of appeal, two of these cases were struck from the Child Abuse Register. Of those that remained in the register, 175 were female and 91 were male, 48 were under three years of age, 49 were between four and six years of age, 117 were between seven and twelve years of age, and 52 were between thirteen and sixteen years of age. In 127 instances of child abuse, where the perpetrator was identified, criminal charges were laid. (See Table 3.)

Children in Care and Custody

The care and custody program involves planning for and supervising children whose legal guardianship has been transferred from their natural parents to a children's aid society, a family and children's services agency or the Minister of Social Services through the Family

Court. In 1986-87, 724 children were placed in foster homes. In many cases, children were returned to their natural parent(s) when the parents were better able to provide for them. In other cases, when a family reunion was impossible, children were placed for adoption.

In 1986-87, 50 children in care and custody were legally adopted. The younger the child is when coming into permanent care and custody, the greater the likelihood the child will be placed in an adoptive home. Effort is made to place a child in as permanent a home as possible. Unfortunately, the older the child is when coming into care, the less the chance that an adoptive home will be found. At the present time in Nova Scotia, 81% of the children in permanent care and custody are over the age of 10.

Over the last few years the Department of Social Services has emphasized permanency planning for children in care and custody. The importance of planning for the child immediately upon his or her removal from the natural family is recognized. Once an agency feels a child cannot return to the natural family, the next preferred course is adoption. If adoption does not seem feasible because of the age of the child or because of health problems, the next preferred option is a permanent life plan with a foster family. The Department of Social Services hopes that the "child drift syndrome" within the child care system will be totally eliminated through this approach.

Children in care and custody are supported through the Department of Social Services by maintenance payments according to age:

Age	Monthly Board
0-9	$225
10-19	262

The monthly board is paid to foster parents. In addition, foster parents receive a clothing allowance three times a year:

Age	Amount	Yearly
0-4	$115	$345
5-9	195	585
10+	228	684

When a child has additional needs because of medical, emotional or dental problems, the Department may provide additional money for these purposes. Special needs are determined and paid on an individual basis as required.

Child Caring Facilities

There are 17 privately operated child-caring facilities in the province, and 3 additional facilities are operated by the Department of Social Services. On September 9, 1985, the Nova Scotia Residential Centre was established. This centre provides a specialized structured environment and program for children 10-15 years of age inclusive who have behaviour and adjustment problems.

The operating costs of the 17 privately operated child-caring facilities are covered approximately 100% by the Department of Social Services and the municipalities. Programs for the children vary with each facility, and an attempt is made to place a child in a facility with a program that meets his or her needs. As of March 31, 1987, approximately 211 children had been placed in child caring facilities. (See Table 4 and Chart 1.)

Services to Unmarried Mothers

Services are provided to single parents to help them plan for themselves and their children before and after the birth of a child. A range of services are provided to ensure that the health, social and emotional needs of the single parent and child are met. In general the mother's needs for service are more acute than the father's because of the physical and psychological aspects of pregnancy and the legal responsibilities she carries for the child. Consequently the services offered to the single parent are primarily geared towards meeting the needs of the mother and her child.

A comprehensive service to single parents touches upon the present (the crisis of the pregnancy and what to do about it), the past (the circumstances that led to the pregnancy) and the future (how best to plan for the child and parent). The single-parent worker encourages single parents to move through the crisis by drawing upon their personal strengths.

Children's aid societies, family and children's services agencies, the Department of Social Services, the Home of the Guardian Angel and the Antigonish Diocesan Charities provided these services on a confidential basis to approximately 739 unmarried mothers in 1986-87. Homes providing facilities to unmarried mothers are the Home of the Guardian Angel (Halifax), Bethany Home for Girls (Halifax) and Parkdale House (Sydney). (See Table 5.)

The Parkdale and Bethany Salvation Army homes have established a mothering skills development program. The program is offered to

young mothers who plan to keep their babies but lack life and mothering skills. Mothers live in with their babies for up to four months and are assisted in developing parenting skills and in finding suitable living arrangements.

Adoption Services

Nineteen social agencies provide adoption services in Nova Scotia. These include 13 children's aid societies and family and children's services agencies, four district offices of the Department of Social Services, and two child-placing agencies operated under the auspices of the Catholic dioceses of Halifax and Antigonish.

The Department of Social Services also provides an Atlantic Adoption Exchange in Halifax where the registry of special-needs children needing adoption homes, and of approved adopting families wanting children, is maintained.

In 1986-87, 443 adoptions were completed: 214 boys and 229 girls. The number of healthy infants available for adoption is declining, and the need for adoption homes for special-needs children is increasing.

The Department of Social Services also maintains a passive adoption register. This is a system whereby adoption principals—adult adoptees, adult parent(s) and birth parents(s)—may register in writing their wishes for information about or personal contact with an adoption principal. Only nonidentifying information is provided unless both the birth parent and adoptee have indicated an interest in establishing contact. A discreet inquiry can be conducted on behalf of an adoption principal if there is a pressing medical or psychiatric need to know, or if the adoptee was legitimate at the time that he or she came into care or was placed for adoption. Discreet inquiries can also be conducted if the adoptee's birth parents married each other after the child's birth or if they lived in a common-law relationship at the time of the child's birth or subsequent to the birth. In 1986-87, approximately 1,013 post-adoption inquiries were received. (See Table 6 and Charts 2 and 3.)

Micmac Family and Children's Services Agency

In 1985 a new Micmac Family and Children's Services Agency was formed to provide child welfare services on Indian Reserves. At the present time the Micmac Family and Children's Services Agency does not have a mandate to provide legislated services. Once the agency is fully established and its staff is trained in child protection services, a

schedule for handing over legislated services to the agency will be developed. An Indian Child Welfare Committee was formed, made up of two representatives from the federal Department of Indian and Northern Affairs, two chiefs from the Micmac Bands, and two representatives from the Nova Scotia Department of Social Services. This committee is responsible for monitoring and assisting in the development of the Micmac Family and Children's Services Agency over the period of the tripartite agreement.

Family Counselling Services

Funding in the form of grants is provided by the Department of Social Services and the Family Services of Eastern Nova Scotia for family counselling programs in the counties of Antigonish, Guysborough, Pictou, Richmond, Inverness, Victoria and Cape Breton, and to the Association for Family Life in the cities of Halifax and Dartmouth and in Halifax County. These counselling services are used heavily to augment protection services.

Five children's services agencies are funded to provide therapy: the Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County and the Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County have full-time counsellors, the Family and Children's Services of Cumberland and Annapolis counties have counsellors working two and a half days a week, and the Children's Aid Society of Shelburne County has a counsellor working one day a week.

The agencies provide counselling in areas such as family violence, sexual abuse, parenting skills, child and adolescent issues, assertiveness training, personal counselling, marital and family counselling, and custody and access mediation. The family therapists are also involved in many community, educational and preventive services.

Transition Houses

The Department provides assistance in transition houses for battered women. The houses are open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and provide temporary safe shelter for physically, emotionally and sexually battered women and their children. Staff offer support, counselling and advocacy services and refer the residents to a wide range of community services.

Beginning January 1, 1983, the Department initiated a financial formula providing the houses with 75% of their approved budgets.

Premier John Buchanan, Mr. Bill Greatorex and Honourable Edmund L. Morris at the Nova Scotia Conference on the Family

Transition House	Capacity	1986-87 Approved Budget	75%
Bryony	24	$ 271,565	$ 203,674
Cape Breton	20	171,468	128,601
Tearmann	15	144,942	108,706
Juniper	15	134,543	100,907
Chrysalis	15	142,780	107,085
South Shore Transition House Association (pending)			

A public-awareness media campaign was launched by the Department of Social Services and ran from February 3, 1986, to March 16, 1986, with funding assistance from the Canada Assistance Plan Division of Health and Welfare Canada. The theme was "Wife Battering: Let's Break the Silence." The theme was carried through all aspects of the campaign: by newspapers, television, billboards, radio, bumper stickers, mail inserts, brochures and information kits.

Public awareness of wife battering was certainly increased by the campaign. Another major outcome was the development and implementation of standardized reporting forms for transition houses in Nova Scotia.

Day Care Services

Greg Gammon, M.S.W., Director

Day Care Services is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Day Care Act of 1978 and its regulations. This includes the licensing, monitoring and development of all day care facilities for children, both full-day and part-day programs, throughout Nova Scotia (see Table 7). The result of this program is the provision of services pertinent to "a child's physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development apart from the child's parents or guardian" (Day Care Act of 1978, 2[a]).

This service also processes applications for families who are applying for day care assistance and provides subsidy payments to the 48 registered day care centres in Nova Scotia.

Currently, 1,959 subsidized spaces are provided for children of families who qualify for financial assistance based on their social and economic needs. On March 31, 1987, 1,705 families were receiving day care assistance for children enrolled in registered day care centres in the province.

As of March 31, 1987, 48 registered day care centres and 293 privately operated day care facilities, both full-day and part-day, were licensed under the Day Care Act and Regulations (see Table 8). Thirty-one new, privately operated facilities received a license from the Minister of Social Services, enabling them to provide day care for young children. Two new registered day care facilities were also established in 1986.

Besides the subsidy payments provided to the 48 registered day care facilities on behalf of the families who qualify for day care assistance, the Department provides a grant to 33 child development centres, which are included in the total number of licensed facilities. The grant is to a maximum of 50% of their operating expenses, based on the proportion of economically disadvantaged children attending each centre (see Chart 4).

In response to the federal special committee's report on child care, the Department has held consultations with officials from Health and Welfare Canada. To elicit input into any provincial changes that might result from federal initiatives, the Department held discussions with representatives from the various community groups, day care associations, and organizations providing services throughout the province.

Child Development Services Training Program

Child Development Services is a joint endeavour of the Department of Social Services and the Department of Education to provide training for anyone wishing to have a special qualification as a worker with young children in day care facilities. Through the leadership of Dr. Jane Norman and her staff, the program is offered at the Nova Scotia Teachers' College in Truro, and at the Froebel Resource Centre in Princeport, Colchester County. The program has three facets:

1. A two-year on-campus program, which in 1986-87 had a registration of 136 in the first year and 97 in the second year, for a total enrollment of 233 students—an increase of 24 from the previous year.
2. An extension program consisting of one evening a week within the student's own community, co-ordinated by a graduate of the program, and Saturday sessions at the Froebel Resource Centre. The extension program operated in 22 locations throughout the Atlantic Provinces, as well as at the Froebel Resource Centre. During the past year, 35 weekly evening sessions were held within the respective communities, and 15 Saturday sessions were held at the Froebel Resource Centre. The extension program of September 1986 had 300 students registered.
3. The Atlantic Summer School for Child Care, a 14-day program in June at the Froebel Resource Centre and the Nova Scotia Teachers' College, is an enrichment program for staff employed in day care facilities, nursery schools and preschoolers programs and is a requirement for students enrolled in Level IV of the extension program.

The program of June 1986 had 150 registered students. The summer school staff included world-renowned professors in the field of early childhood education from Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States who provided seminars and led group workshops.

The June 1986 program was the tenth summer school program of Child Development Services to provide individuals with an opportunity to develop skills and better understand the young child. The Princeport Play Group played an integral role in the program, providing participants with an opportunity to put theory into practice.

Three of the seminar titles were: "Children's Pleasures and Needs in Books," presented by Joan Cass, formerly of the Institute of Education, London University, England; "Math Concepts and Young Children," presented by Arnold Howell, Senior Author, Addison-Wesley Publishers; and "The Influence of Pestalozzi, A Child Study Pioneer," taught by Dr. Alan Bailey, Professor, History and Philosophy of Education, Nova Scotia Teachers' College.

Homemakers Services

A. Stewart Brown, R.S.W., Director

The Homemakers Services program is administered under the Homemaker Services Act and Regulations (1982) and, to date, 45 programs have been established throughout Nova scotia. The larger portion of the province is enjoying the services of established agencies. However, three municipalities lack a formal service: the municipalities of the counties of Victoria, Shelburne and Cape Breton. Twenty-five programs are delivered through Municipal Social Services departments, 8 through children's aid societies and 12 through the sponsorship of non-profit, board-managed community agencies.

The year 1986-87 was a very busy one for all established agencies, with continuing demand for services increased significantly by the new policy issued with respect to hospital patient stays. Many of the homemaker agencies were involved in providing informed comments and data to the government's Interdepartmental Committee of Deputy Ministers, which is investigating the status of home care in Nova Scotia. Homemakers Services is expected to emerge as a major component of comprehensive home care, and there is positive excitement in all homemaker agencies about a proposed co-ordinated, comprehensive home-care program.

Approximately 5,000 persons, most of whom were over the age of 65, received service throughout fiscal 1986/87. More than 3,000 persons receive active service each month.

Table 9 provides a perspective of the program during a typical month.

Father Gregory MacKinnon, Chairman, and members of the Board of the Co-ordinated Home Care Advisory Committee

The Family Court

The Family Court of Nova Scotia provides a forum for hearing legal matters related to family issues such as family maintenance, family violence and child protection. It is also a Youth Court, hearing matters involving young persons charged under the Young Offenders Act (Canada) or the Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act (Nova Scoita). Although the Family Court is a court of record, it is not open to the public, with the exception of matters heard under the Young Offenders Act. Family Court Judges hear matters under the following legislation:

- Family Maintenance Act
- Maintenance Orders Enforcement Act
- Children's Services Act
- Young Offenders Act (Canada)
- Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act (Nova Scotia)
- Employment of Children's Act
- Adult Protection Act
- Section 168 of the Criminal Code respecting people who endanger the morals of children

Chief Justice Lorne Clark (second from right), Chief Family Court Judge W. Marshall Black (far right), and Honourable Edmund L. Morris at the swearing in of Judge R. Jim Williams and Judge Corinne Sparks.

- Section 197 of the Criminal Code regarding people who fail to provide the necessities of life for children under the age of 16 or for a spouse
- Sections 245, 745, 746 and 666 of the Criminal Code dealing with common assaults or threats involving husband and wife or parent and child
- Infants' Custody Act
- sections of the Solemnization of Marriage Act relating to the performance of marriage and also to people under the age of 16 who wish to marry, and
- other acts or matters as the Governor-in-Council may from time to time approve.

The Court may also hear applications to vary divorce orders that are registered with the Family Court and may recommend changes respecting maintenance, access and custody to the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia.

During the fiscal year, three new appointments, effective March 30, 1987, were made to the Family Court Bench: R. James Williams, Robert Hebb and Corinne E. Sparks.

At present, 16 Judges sit on the Family Court Bench. Although Judges are authorized to hold proceedings throughout the province, it is customary for each Judge to be assigned to a geographical area:

W. Marshall Black (Chief Judge)	— Annapolis and Kings counties, West Hants
J. Vernon MacDonald	— Cape Breton and Victoria counties
Robert Ferguson	— Cape Breton and Richmond counties
Darrell W. Wilson	— Cape Breton and Inverness counties
Robert White	— Antigonish, Guysborough, Pictou counties
Elizabeth Roscoe	— Halifax
Robert Butler	— Halifax
Louis E. Moir	— Halifax
Timothy Daley	— Halifax
Paul S. Niedermayer	— Dartmouth and Lunenburg County
John D. Comeau	— Yarmouth, Shelburne, Queens and Digby counties
David Milner	— Cumberland and Colchester counties
Margaret Stewart	— Annapolis and Kings counties
R. James Williams	— Dartmouth
Corinne E. Sparks	— Pictou and Colchester counties, East Hants
Robert Hebb	— Lunenburg and Queens counties

Services attached to the Court are administered by the Family and Children's Services Division. These services are the responsibility of the five regional administrators of the Department and are under the day-to-day supervision of a Family Court supervisor, district supervisors, casework supervisors and senior Family Court officers.

See Table 10 for the Family Court statistics for fiscal 1986/87.

Family Court Services

Intake Services

Intake Services determine the nature of and assess a problem and initiate appropriate action. In the three Court centres of Halifax, Dartmouth and Sydney, intake services are provided by intake social workers. In the other areas of the province, Family Court officers are primarily responsible for intake.

Counselling Services

Short-term counselling is offered to clients of the Family Court at intake or on referral by Judges of the Court, staff or other social agencies. Families or individuals requiring long-term counselling services are referred to appropriate services in the community.

Enforcement Services

Orders by Judges for maintenance (payment of financial support from one spouse to the other) may be enforced through the Family Court. Conditions of maintenance in divorce orders that have been registered in the Family Court may also be enforced by the Court. If maintenance payments are not made, the Court may by letter, summons or warrant require the defaulting person to appear before it to explain why he or she did not make the payment. The Judge has the power to garnish wages in some instances, to order that the defaulting person pay larger amounts to cover money in arrears or, as a last resort, to impose a jail term for non-payment. In certain circumstances the Judge may order that arrears be excused or that the order be varied, suspended or rescinded.

During the period, royal assent was given to two major pieces of legislation, a federal Act and a provincial Act, which will allow access to information on clients in other provincial and federal departments in an effort to enhance the enforcement of maintenance orders. The federal Act is anticipated to be proclaimed in fiscal 1987/88 and is cited as the Family Orders and Agreements Enforcement Assistance Act; the provincial Act is the Family Orders Information Release Act and will be proclaimed concurrent with the federal Act.

A Uniform Policy and Procedure Committee was established to oversee the development of an automated enforcement accounting and information system. This system will be operational in the next fiscal year.

A staff of three senior Family Court officers and thirteen Family Court officers are responsible for this aspect of the support services of the Court. Total collections for the period amounted to $15,916,036.15 (refer to Table 11 for more data on this service).

Young Offender and Court Services

John T. MacKinnon, M.S.W., Director

Young offender services are provided to young people charged with offences under the Young Offenders Act or the Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act. These services include:

- preparing pre-disposition reports
- supervising probation orders
- supervising community service orders
- maintaining youth in foster homes or residential centres, and
- working with young people in open or secure custody, and with their families.

The services to young offenders ages 12-17 are the shared responsibility of the departments of Social Services and the Attorney General, with the provision of services to the 12-15 year-old young offenders under the administration of the Department of Social Services. An interdepartmental committee of Social Services and the Attorney General's staff continues to address common issues arising in the delivery of services to young offenders, to ensure consistency and to minimize duplication of services by both departments.

Nineteen probation officers, under the supervision of casework supervisors, provide ongoing supervision and direction to youth placed on probation or maintained in foster homes or other congregate care facilities as a condition of probation. The probation officers are responsible for the preparation of pre-disposition and progress reports, and oversee community dispositions made by the Court pursuant to the Young Offenders Act and the Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act. They also maintain contact with young people and staff in the custodial facilities in planning the eventual reintegration of youth into the community. There were 1,505 young persons who appeared in Youth Court (Family Court) during the period. These individuals accounted for 2,345 offenses, which resulted in 2,869 hearings. (See Tables 12-15 for more detailed statistics on young offenders.)

Young Offender Community Development Project

The federal-provincial advisory committee established to oversee the implementation of community programs under the auspices of private agencies continued to meet during the period.

The Young Offender Community Development Project is a two-year demonstration project jointly funded by the Department of Justice (Canada) and the Department of Social Services (Nova Scotia). Four services are being administered: (1) the Alternative Measures Program, (2) the Community Service Order Program, (3) the Volunteer Program and (4) the Public Information and Awareness Program.

Throughout the spring and summer of 1986, proposals were received from community groups and organizations interested in administering the services on a contractual basis with the Department. The seven groups awarded contracts, the geographic area they serve and the date of the signing of their agreements are as follows:

Society	Geographic Area Served	Date of Signing of Agreement
Amherst YMCA Youth Alternative Program	Cumberland County	June 23, 1986
Island Alternative Measures Society	Cape Breton Island	July 18, 1986
Southwest Alternative Measures Program Association	Digby, Yarmouth and Shelburne counties	July 30, 1986
Youth Alternative Society	Halifax, Lunenburg and Queens counties	August 5, 1986
Truro Boys and Girls Club	Colchester County and East Hants	August 18, 1986
John Howard Society Alternative Measures Program	Pictou, Antigonish and Guysborough counties	September 9, 1986
Kinsmen Club of Kentville and District (Valley Young Offender Community Development Project)	Annapolis and Kings counties and West Hants	October 27, 1986

During the period, six project co-ordinators were hired and trained. The seventh co-ordinator had been already assuming responsibilities, as the Youth Alternative Society has been involved in administering alternative measures services since 1978.

During the beginnings of the programs, services were administered by probation officers while the first contingent of volunteers was being recruited and trained. As of March 31, 1987, none of the projects, with the exception of the Youth Alternative Society, was ready to move into a community-based service.

Authorizations to provide the programs are granted pursuant to Section 4 of the Young Offenders Act by the Minister of Social Services to provide alternative measures, and under Section 21 of the Young Offenders Act by the provincial director for the Community Service Order Program. Province-wide delivery of the Community Service Order Program was facilitated as of January 22, 1987.

As of March 31, 1987, 290 referrals were made to the Alternative Measures Program and 86 referrals were made to the Community Service Order Program.

Only two referrals were made to the Volunteer Program, as emphasis was placed on developing the other programs first.

Custodial Facilities

There are two facilities for young offenders ages 12-15 approved and designated pursuant to the Young Offenders Act in Nova Scotia: the Cape Breton Youth Resource Centre and the Shelburne Youth Centre.

Cape Breton Youth Resource Centre

Ann Shears, Director

An agreement between the Department of Social Services and the Salvation Army of Canada signed in 1985 resulted in the opening of the first of two community open-custody facilities planned, in Sydney.

The facility hosted a community open house on December 4, 1986, and began receiving residents transferred from the Shelburne Youth Centre as well as admitted directly upon committal by the Court.

The official opening of the facility was held on February 13, 1987, with the Minister of Social Services and Major Malcolm Webster,

Assistant Correctional Services Secretary, Salvation Army, officiating, along with other public and private officials.

The facility is designated as an open-custody and temporary detention centre and has a capacity of ten male youths ages 12/15. Female youths are provided residency in Proctor Homes, two of which were approved and designated as open-custody and temporary detention centres during the period pursuant to the Young Offenders Act. Although the female residents are separate and apart from the male residents, they can participate in the total program offered by the Salvation Army. The facility is also an approved facility for the placement of young offenders as a condition of probation pursuant to the Young Offenders Act.

The main focus of the facility is community interaction, whereby the residents fully participate in community resources such as schools, recreational activities, religious facilities and other services and resources. Individual and group programs offered at the facility complement community resources while providing the necessary supervision required in an open-custody setting.

The second facility per the agreement of 1985 will be operational in the future.

Table 16 shows statistics related to the facility during the period.

Shelburne Youth Centre

Mr. Heikki Muinonen, Superintendent

The total number of youths admitted to the Shelburne Youth Centre during the period was 166, compared with 160 in the previous year, and was comprised of 136 males and 30 females. Five male and two female youths were committed to secure custody, and seven males were committed to a combination of secure and open custody. One female resident was transferred from another facility.

Court reviews resulted in 12 youths being released on probation from the centre, and two were released by the Appeal Court.

The open-custody facility in Sydney had its first impact on the Shelburne Centre. During the year, nine youths were transferred from Shelburne to the Cape Breton Youth Resource Centre.

The number of days of care given during the year was 23,087, up from 21,381 last year but still somewhat down from the 1984/85 fiscal year. Committals to secure custody and remands both represented

somewhat less than 10% of the total number of days of care given. The secure custody unit functioned at 88% occupancy, compared with 110% last year (both figures are exclusive of administrative transfers from open to secure custody).

The centre provides services to female young offenders ages 12-17 inclusive. The number of residents in the female cottage has remained below 10 and occasionally has been as low as 3. Very few female residents have been under 16 years of age.

Thirty-four youth escaped custody: three females and 31 males. There were no escapes from secure custody.

Discussions continue related to necessary renovations to the secure and open custody units. With the decreased demand on secure-custody beds, much of the emphasis has been placed on open custody. Several draft proposals have been reviewed by facility staff.

There were two separate reviews initiated during the period. A review of the academic program was undertaken by a Department of Education survey team, and a committee was formed to conduct a review of all programs at the centre. Both reports are anticipated to be complete during the next fiscal year.

Refer to Table 17 for statistics related to the Shelburne Youth Centre.

Table 1

Comparative Statistics Showing Services by Children's Aid Societies, Family and Children's Services and District Offices*

		Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F & C.S.
1.	(a) No. of children in care and custody on April 1, 1986	53	173	55	73
	(b) No. of children committed to care and custody during the period	2	25	2	10
	(c) No. of children committed to care and custody who were placed under care by transfer of legal guardianship	—	—	—	—
	(d) No. of children transferred into district	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
	(e) Total of (a) (b) (c) (d)	55	198	57	83
	(f) No. of children whose care and custody ended during period (1) by coming of age	4	21	2	6
	(2) by adoption	1	2	—	1
	(3) by marriage	—	1	—	—
	(4) by Court Order	2	7	8	6
	(5) by death	—	1	—	—
	(g) Transfers by legal guardianship	—	—	—	—
	(h) No. of children transferred out of district	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
	(i) Total of (f) (g) (h)	7	32	10	13
	(j) No. of children in care and custody on March 31, 1987	48	166	47	70
	(k) Total no. of children taken into care and custody since society founding	832	3,425	1,067	1,487

*Services to unmarried mothers noted on separate table.

Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness-Richmond C.A.S.	Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Sackville District Office	Total
171	34	16	97	75	108	26	56	70	37	134	36	16	54	1,284
28	6	—	15	12	20	3	4	9	3	23	6	4	8	180
—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	2
N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	—	4	—	—	—	4
199	42	16	112	87	128	29	60	79	40	161	42	20	62	1,470
18	6	6	9	5	6	4	5	6	6	14	2	3	6	129
11	1	—	6	1	9	—	1	5	1	9	2	—	—	50
1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
7	—	—	3	—	16	1	5	13	—	2	—	—	1	71
—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	3
—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	2
N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	—	—	—	—	4	4
37	7	7	18	8	31	6	11	24	7	26	4	3	11	262
162	35	9	94	79	97	23	49	55	33	135	38	17	51	1,208
2,543	802	27	1,271	809	1,466	505	500	886	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	15,620

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		Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.
2.	**No. of children committed to care and custody during the period who were**				
	(a) Protestant	1	9	1	9
	Roman Catholic	—	12	1	1
	Other/No finding	1	4	—	—
	(b) Boys	2	12	1	3
	Girls	—	13	1	7
	(c) Children of unmarried mothers	—	2	—	4
	(d) Others in need of protection	2	23	2	6
3.	**No. of children in care and custody at end of period who were**				
	(a) Protestant	38	63	44	60
	Roman Catholic	9	95	3	10
	Other/No finding	1	8	—	—
	(b) Boys	24	96	27	23
	Girls	24	70	20	47
	(c) Under 5 years of age	1	12	1	7
	5 and under 10 years of age	2	25	4	11
	10 and under 15 years of age	9	44	14	12
	15 and under 19 years of age	31	57	16	36
	19 to 20 years of age	5	28	12	4

Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness-Richmond C.A.S.	Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Sackville District Office	Total
6	4	—	7	—	8	3	3	3	1	7	5	3	2	72
6	2	—	4	—	6	—	1	6	2	5	1	1	2	50
16	—	—	4	12	6	—	—	—	—	11	—	—	4	58
15	1	—	7	8	11	1	2	4	1	9	4	1	4	86
13	5	—	8	4	9	2	2	5	2	14	2	3	4	94
5	2	—	—	2	3	—	—	2	2	—	1	—	2	25
23	4	—	15	10	17	3	4	7	1	23	5	4	6	155
56	19	3	81	22	63	20	41	24	5	58	26	7	32	662
50	8	6	9	6	28	3	8	31	28	35	11	10	15	365
56	8	—	4	51	6	—	—	—	—	42	1	—	4	181
71	13	5	41	44	50	12	20	31	18	78	18	7	31	609
91	22	4	53	35	47	11	29	24	15	57	20	10	20	599
15	—	—	9	7	12	—	—	7	2	14	2	—	2	91
16	4	1	12	6	8	1	3	7	4	19	5	—	3	131
48	12	3	21	21	22	7	17	15	8	35	11	5	11	315
60	16	3	43	43	49	14	27	20	11	48	17	9	23	523
23	3	2	9	2	6	1	2	6	8	19	3	3	12	148

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		Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.
4.	**No. of children under care and custody on March 31, 1987, who were**				
	(a) in foster homes	29	107	29	51
	(b) in independent living/boarding homes/ Independence House	9	18	5	1
	(c) in adoption probation homes	1	7	1	1
	(d) in N.S. Residential Centre	—	1	2	1
	(e) in residential centres	1	—	—	1
	(f) in S.O.S. Village	—	—	—	—
	(g) in Bairncroft	—	—	—	—
	(h)) in N.S. Home for Coloured Children	—	1	—	—
	(i) in Shelburne Youth Centre	—	1	—	—
	(j) in Young Offenders Act Community Facility	—	—	—	—
	(k) in N.S.Y.T.C./C.T.C.'s	1	4	2	5
	(l) in free homes	—	—	2	—
	(m) self-supporting	2	5	1	1
	(n) with own parents	1	9	2	4
	(o) in group homes	—	5	1	2
	(p) other	4	8	2	3
5.	**Volume of Service in cases active during the fiscal year 1986/87**				
	(a) Adoptions				
	(1) Inquiries re: agency adoption	58	17	17	24
	(2) Applications approved	1	13	9	6
	(3) Homes on wait list, March 31, 1987	17	21	7	14
	(4) Adoption reports submitted: 1st report	9	63	36	19
	(reports include agency and private) 2nd report	6	54	31	20
	supplementary	—	6	—	2

Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness-Richmond C.A.S.	Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Sackville District Office	Total
75	29	7	57	52	61	18	32	34	24	53	23	14	29	724
36	–	–	7	6	3	–	4	5	1	22	6	1	8	132
17	–	–	12	2	6	–	2	3	–	11	–	–	–	63
4	1	–	5	2	–	–	–	–	–	5	–	–	1	22
1	–	–	1	–	1	1	–	1	1	4	–	–	–	12
1	–	1	1	–	1	–	2	–	1	3	–	–	1	11
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	–	–	2	1	–	1	9
2	–	–	1	–	–	2	–	–	–	2	–	–	1	9
2	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2
2	2	1	1	1	5	–	3	5	4	5	2	1	1	45
–	–	–	–	1	–	1	1	–	–	–	–	1	1	7
3	2	–	1	4	6	–	1	3	1	–	3	–	1	34
6	–	–	5	9	5	1	2	2	–	7	1	–	2	56
6	1	–	–	–	3	–	–	1	–	2	1	–	2	24
5	–	–	3	2	6	–	–	1	1	19	1	–	3	58
94	42	23	56	35	20	7	9	11	23	75	11	3	–	528
22	4	1	11	11	–	–	3	–	6	18	1	3	–	109
26	11	17	6	13	–	14	2	12	13	26	4	6	–	209
16	15	17	34	20	29	4	10	14	10	129	4	1	–	430
18	20	12	34	22	26	2	6	15	8	111	4	2	–	391
–	3	–	2	–	6	–	–	–	–	8	–	–	–	27

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	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.
(b) Children taken into care, April 1, 1986–March 31, 1987				
(1) Registered Agreements, Sec. 8, C.S. Act	12	73	31	21
(2) Registered Agreements, Sec. 10, C.S. Act	2	2	10	3
(3) Under Sec. 45.1, C.S. Act	9	61	19	16
(4) Care and custody	2	25	2	10
(c) Total no. of children in care under (b) on March 31, 1987	61	199	83	85
(d) Children being supervised from other provinces on March 31, 1987	3	3	1	3
(e) Children provided protection in own homes during year	671	1,266	496	342
(f) Foster homes				
(1) Inquiries	56	73	21	31
(2) No. of applications to foster approved	12	24	2	12
(3) No. of foster homes in use March 31, 1987	27	100	27	53
(g) Protection—abuse and neglect				
(1) No. cases carried over April 1, 1986	47	373	31	48
(2) No. of new cases during year	59	594	69	44
(3) No. of cases carried over March 31, 1987	55	562	57	48
Protection—family support				
(1) No. of cases carried over April 1, 1986	52	185	90	15
(2) No. of new cases during year	68	83	86	19
(3) No. of cases carried over March 31, 1987	52	118	90	13
(h) Number of miscellaneous intakes	72	26	38	272
(i) Family counsellor intakes	28	—	149	101
(j) Family counsellor sessions	242	—	785	930

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103	38	7	35	39	34	4	11	45	3	145	20	5	83	709
4	—	1	3	2	9	—	1	1	2	11	2	—	—	53
99	21	5	22	29	41	2	15	9	7	34	3	10	12	414
28	6	—	15	12	20	3	4	9	3	23	6	4	8	180
267	55	10	125	94	138	28	58	62	39	203	51	19	90	1,667
3	1	—	2	3	1	—	1	1	—	11	—	—	—	33
655	481	360	914	398	213	242	258	254	162	2,325	360	131	644	10,172
86	20	18	39	31	29	26	9	21	3	122	11	2	—	598
22	4	—	12	7	9	4	3	5	4	54	31	—	—	177
78	3	5	50	32	78	8	2	3	21	97	9	1	—	594
121	58	3	51	83	11	20	42	34	49	374	48	10	238	1,631
72	88	1	290	52	22	15	50	101	27	494	85	14	251	2,328
158	79	1	68	92	19	11	20	29	35	438	65	9	236	1,982
211	69	83	43	93	82	33	14	49	29	90	29	33	87	1,287
156	52	76	172	70	101	28	74	71	27	59	47	28	98	1,315
235	84	103	72	100	90	51	42	35	23	119	41	30	114	1,412
564	20	41	692	60	31	54	71	24	223	24	12	34	129	2,387
—	—	—	—	55	—	—	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	360
—	—	—	—	546	—	—	153	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,656

Table 2

Voluntary Care Agreements
Children's Services Act
Registered with Department of Social Services

1986/87

Agency	Number of Agreements Signed	
	Section 8*	Section 10
F. & C.S. of Annapolis County	12	2
Antigonish Diocesan Charities	—	10
C.A.S. of Cape Breton	73	2
C.A.S. & F.S. of Colchester County	31	10
F. & C.S. of Cumberland County	21	3
C.A.S. of Halifax	103	4
F. & C.S. Hants County	38	—
Home of the Guardian Angel	—	25
C.A.S. of Inverness-Richmond	7	1
F. & C.S. of Kings County	35	3
F. & C.S. of Lunenburg County	39	2
F. & C.S. of Pictou County	34	9
F. & C.S. of Queens County	4	—
C.A.S. of Shelburne County	11	1
F. & C.S. of Yarmouth County	45	1
District Offices		
Antigonish	3	2
Dartmouth	145	11
Digby	20	2
Guysborough	5	—
Sackville	83	—
TOTAL**	709	88

* Extensions are not counted as separate agreements in the Section 8 totals. Total number of children in voluntary care under Section 8 was 619. However, there were 706 agreements signed, 87 of which were separate agreements but for the same child or children.

** The totals on this table include agreements signed through the Antigonish Diocesan Charities and Home of the Guardian Angel.

Table 3

Child Abuse Register — Statistical Information

for the calendar years 1982–1986

	1982		1983		1984		1985		1986	
Total Number of Cases Recorded	65		89		180		*238		**268	
Age Range of Children										
Under 3 yrs. of age	15		26		40		39		48	
4–6 yrs. of age	15		20		34		33		49	
7–12 yrs. of age	21		21		51		110		117	
13–16 yrs. of age	14		22		55		55		52	
Sex of Children										
Male	24		36		66		71		91	
Female	41		53		114		166		175	
Deaths	1		2		1		—		2	
Cases Removed from the Child Abuse Register	3		—		1		***2		****3	
Family Moved Out of Province	4		1		8		12		6	
Types of Abuse	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**
Physical	30	24	34	39	33	27	43	40	52	38
Sexual	3	3	2	1	25	80	23	120	32	133
Emotional	—	15	4	18	2	2	—	1	3	—
Physical/sexual	(this information not available for 1982 or 1983)				2	2	—	2	1	2
Physical/emotional					2	3	4	2	1	1
Sexual/emotional					—	—	—	—	—	—
Physical/sexual/emotional					2	—	1	1	2	1
Month Abuse Occurred										
January–March	6	10	9	13	18	23	23	46	15	28
April–June	6	11	11	14	12	26	16	37	23	19
July–September	7	8	8	11	12	25	8	23	22	37
October–December	5	12	8	15	21	32	16	33	17	33
Month of abuse unknown	—	—	—	—	3	3	8	27	14	61
Agency Decision										
Left with Parents	12	24	20	30	40	66	46	110	50	125
Supervision Required	16	21	19	25	28	45	32	60	23	43
Removed from Abusive Environment	7	15	16	21	27	40	18	42	37	40
Sibling Removed	6	7	5	5	10	16	6	13	18	8

* This figure is one up from last year's report—a 1985 case was recorded in 1986.

*/** These figures reflect total number of cases recorded for each year; actual data in report does not reflect the cases removed from the Child Abuse Register.

*** These are 1984 cases which were removed from the Child Abuse Register in 1985.

**** One 1985 case was removed in 1986; two 1986 cases were recorded and removed from the Child Abuse Register in 1986.

	1982		1983		1984		1985		1986	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Alleged Perpetrator										
Mother	8	8	14	14	12	9	9	13	14	20
Father	9	13	8	18	25	37	21	37	24	39
Both Parents	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	3	—
Stepfather	3	6	1	3	3	15	11	22	42	28
Stepmother	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Sibling	—	1	2	4	1	6	5	17	4	7
Mother's Commonlaw Spouse/Boyfriend*	—	—	—	—	7	9	1	10	10	6
Father's Commonlaw Spouse/Girlfriend*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Relative*	—	—	—	—	2	16	5	22	9	35
Foster Parent/Adoptive Parent*	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	6	1
Babysitter/Caretaker*	—	—	—	—	7	5	2	12	8	13
Identity Unknown	—	—	—	—	1	7	5	9	3	11
Other	8	14	12	19	16	17	11	24	10	23
Referred by										
Self	—	2	1	3	3	10	2	17	2	9
Family	3	17	11	4	23	37	18	39	13	31
Neighbour	—	2	3	3	1	2	2	5	1	—
PHN/VON	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	2	2	2
Court	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	1	—	—
Teacher**	4	4	4	6	4	10	2	8	4	6
School Guidance Counsellor**	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	5	2	6
School Social Worker**	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—
Hospital Physician**	18	27	30	42	44	70	27	26	33	48
Family Physician**	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	49	38	62
Hospital Social Worker**	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	23	2	10
Police/R.C.M.P.	1	5	3	5	11	18	5	13	9	21
Day Care Centre	1	—	1	—	5	1	—	3	4	—
Foster Parent*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—
Other	4	7	2	2	4	7	16	32	24	29
Services Received from Agency										
Family Counselling	11	22	20	31	40	55	35	78	50	97
Supervision	17	29	28	41	45	68	32	58	44	67
Homemakers	—	5	5	5	6	6	8	10	8	10
Voluntary Care	2	5	—	5	7	17	4	17	11	16
Taken Into Care*	—	—	—	—	16	21	2	16	19	24
Other	—	2	3	3	—	5	11	22	17	20

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* This data not sorted for 1982 and 1983.

** For 1982-84, referrals from all hospital/medical personnel were categorized "Hospital (physician)," and from all school personnel were categorized "Schools."

(Table 3 continued)	1982		1983		1984		1985		1986	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Immediate Action Taken										
Child Examined by M.D.	20	30	32	40	48	84	50	109	72	117
Color Photos Taken	9	9	14	11	10	12	15	17	22	16
Full Body X-Ray	5	6	7	8	—	—	—	—	—	—
The Police Contacted	12	28	19	32	53	102	60	154	74	162
Police Investigation	7	23	13	24	36	82	31	131	63	146
Case Brought to Family Court	23		33		62		66		75	
Notice to Bring	1		2		—		8		1	
Friendly Supervision	11		10		12		16		19	
Care and Custody	8		11		33		34		49	
Placed for Adoption	—		—		2		3		1	
Dismissed	5		6		15		7		6	
Still Before the Court	—		—		—		11		12	
Returned to Parent(s) Care	—		—		6		6		13	
Results Not Available	4		8		2		—		—	
Police Involvement										
Police Contacted	40		52		155		214		632	
No. of these brought to Family Court*	16		19		—		—		—	
Charges Pending	—		—		—		—		2	
Charges Dropped	—		1		—		6		6	
Convicted/Sentenced	9		19		57		58		77	
Found Not Guilty	—		1		2		2		2	
Insufficient Evidence to Prosecute/Acquitted	—		—		7		27		28	
Criminal Court Results Not Available	8		3		11		5		14	
Additional/Related Indications of Alleged Abuse in Family										
Past Abuse of Parents	9		16		61		57		63	
Stressful Events	29		49		74		76		6	
Alcohol/Drug Abuse	14		21		47		40		39	
Supervision	11		22		35		30		20	
Mental Health	11		12		41		38		35	
Nutrition	4		10		16		13		9	
Medical	10		8		15		15		11	
Emotional Care	12		24		33		31		21	
Inappropriate Discipline	21		40		47		56		50	
Other	4		—		29		32		32	

* This data only sorted in 1982 and 1983.

	1982		1983		1984		1985		1986	
Agency										
Annapolis	2		1		9		11		12	
Antigonish	2		—		5		6		10	
Cape Breton	8		8		21		19		32	
Colchester	1		4		3		8		10	
Cumberland	1		5		10		12		7	
Dartmouth	17		23		22		31		47	
Digby	—		1		4		3		6	
Guysborough	—		6		1		4		2	
Halifax	12		10		30		46		31	
Hants	1		4		10		9		20	
Inverness/Richmond	—		—		2		1		2	
Kings	8		6		18		20		23	
Lunenburg	1		6		7		10		17	
Pictou	3		3		1		7		12	
Queens	1		2		4		6		—	
Sackville	4		3		11		21		25	
Shelburne	—		4		5		9		2	
Yarmouth	2		3		17		13		8	
No Agency Involvement	—		—		—		1		—	
	M	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**
Child Abused Prior to First Report to Agency	9	19	19	26	37	80	31	85	45	118

Table 4

Comparative Statistics for Child Caring Facilities

		Bairncroft*	Home of the Guardian Angel	Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children	Boys Residential Centre	Residential Centre Halifax	Residential Centre Hebron	N.S. Residential Centre
1.	(a) No. of children resident on April 1, 1986	0	3	25	12	10	11	22
	(b) No. of admissions during the year	32	49	91	16	6	10	24
	(c) Total of (a) and (b)	32	52	116	28	16	21	46
	(d) No. of discharges during the year	27	50	95	18	6	10	17
	(e) No. of children resident on March 31, 1987	5	2	21	10	10	11	29
2.	**No. of admissions during the year who were**							
	(a) boys	8	24	45	16	—	7	8
	(b) girls	24	25	46	—	6	3	16
	(c) birth - 5 years	1	49	—	—	—	—	—
	6 years - 9 years	2	—	4	—	—	—	1
	10 years - 12 years	3	—	7	4	—	6	2
	13 years - 15 years	24	—	69	12	6	4	19
	16 years - 20 years	2	—	11	—	—	—	2
3.	**Average length of stay (in days) in the facility**							
	(a) of number discharged during the year	40.1	11.5	388.4	261	348.2	394.6	262
	(b) of those resident at the end of the year	40.2	5.5	379.4	214	402.3	207.9	285
4.	(a) No. of children cared for during the year	32	52	116	25	10	21	46
	(b) Total number of days of care during the year of all children in 4(a)	1,285	594	8,611	3,613	3,147	4,252	9,445
	(c) Average cost of care per child per day	N.A.	121.43	60.72	87.65	121.68	75.28	150.43
5.	**No. of persons on staff of the facility**							
	(a) Superintendent	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	(b) Social Workers	1	2+ 1 p.t.	—	—	1	—	1
	(c) Nurses	—	2+ 6 p.t.	—	—	—	—	—
	(d) Counsellors	5	—	2	7	—	—	18
	(e) Child Care Staff	—	—	10	—	9	7	—
	(f) Houseparents	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
	(g) Domestic	—	—	1	1	1	—	2

*Bairncroft is for 15 months.

C.A.S. of Halifax Group Home	D.H. Johnson House	Dept. of Social Services Ind. Home	F. & C.S. of Hants Co. Group Home	F. & C.S. of Lunenburg Co. Group Home	Hawthorne House	Jubien House	Liscombe Group Home	Ramsay House	Shelburne Group Home	Sisters of the Good Shepherd – G.H.	S.O.S. Children's Village	Whitney Avenue Group Home	Y.M.C.A. Walnut St. Group Home	Total
5	8	4	4	4	8	9	6	8	5	5	16	3	6	174
14	70	4	16	3	57	55	7	2	10	3	8	16	19	512
19	78	8	20	7	65	64	13	10	15	8	24	19	25	686
15	69	4	16	3	58	55	10	4	13	3	8	15	20	516
4	9	4	4	4	7	9	3	6	2	5	16	4	5	170
13	—	—	16	2	57	—	6	2	—	—	5	7	19	235
1	70	4	—	1	—	55	1	—	10	3	3	9	—	277
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	50
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8
—	5	—	1	1	8	—	2	—	—	—	5	2	—	46
13	59	—	15	1	46	23	4	2	3	—	3	11	14	328
1	6	4	—	1	3	32	—	—	7	3	—	3	5	80
121	44	285	128	974	38	44	204.5	169.8	125.5	412	623.1	193.7	106.4	
187	131.9	170	146	435.8	198	208	277.3	855.5	55	371.8	725.4	211	299	
19	78	8	20	7	65	64	13	10	15	8	24	19	25	
1,728	3,005	1,029	1,949	1,311	2,870	2,971	1,633	2,431	746	1,740	6,199	1,923	1,929	
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	32
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5

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(Table 4 continued)

	Bairncroft*	Home of the Guardian Angel	Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children	Boys Residential Centre	Residential Centre Halifax	Residential Centre Hebron	N.S. Residential Centre
(h) Cook	1 p.t.	–	1	1	1	–	3
(i) Other	–	–	2	1	1	1	13
(j) Total number of staff	8	12	17	11	14	10	38
6. No. of persons on staff of the facility							
(a) Group Home Parent(s)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
(b) Superintendent	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
(c) Social Workers	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
(d) Nurses	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
(e) Counsellors	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
(f) Child Care Staff	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
(g) Houseparents	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
(h) Domestic	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
(i) Cook	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
(j) Other	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
(k) Total number of staff	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

C.A.S. of Halifax Group Home	D.H. Johnson House	Dept. of Social Services Ind. Home	F. & C.S. of Hants Co. Group Home	F. & C.S. of Lunenburg Co. Group Home	Hawthorne House	Jubilem House	Liscombe Group Home	Ramsay House	Shelburne Group Home	Sisters of the Good Shepherd – G.H.	S.O.S. Children's Village	Whitney Avenue Group Home	Y.M.C.A. Walnut St. Group Home	Total
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	7
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	18
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	110
2	–	2	–	2	–	–	2	–	2	–	2	2	2	16
–	1	–	–	–	1	1	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	4
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
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–	6½	–	4	–	6½	6½	–	4	–	–	–	–	–	27½
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–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	5	–	–	5
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1
2	7½	2	4	2	8½	7½	2	4	2	4	7	2	2	56½

Table 5

Comparative Statistics Showing Services to Unmarried Mothers and Children by Child Placing Agencies and Maternity Homes	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.	Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness-Richmond C.A.S.
1. No. of active unmarried mother cases on April 1, 1986	5	5	6	4	17	4	5
2. No. of cases opened during the year	9	41	25	10	49	10	11
3. No. of cases closed during the year	11	34	22	10	46	3	13
4. No. of active cases open on March 31, 1987	3	12	9	4	20	11	3
5. Residence of unmarried mother (No. 2)							
In Nova Scotia	9	41	24	10	49	10	11
Outside Nova Scotia	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
6. Ages of unmarried mothers counselled (No. 2)							
15 and under	1	5	1	—	2	2	—
16 - 20	6	23	16	5	35	5	6
21 - 25	2	7	7	3	12	3	3
26 - 30	—	2	1	2	—	—	2
31 - 35	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
36 and over	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
7. No. of children under care on April 1, 1986							
(a) Child care facility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Foster home	—	1	1	—	11	—	—
(c) With mother	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
(d) Free home placement	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. No. of children admitted to care							
(a) Mother in unmarried mother program	5	3	7	2	14	—	—
(b) Mother unknown or child deserted	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Referred by another agency	—	4	—	—	1	—	—
9. No. of children discharged from care							
(a) Child returned to mother's care	—	—	—	1	6	—	—
(b) Child taken into care and custody	—	2	—	—	1	—	—
(c) Child died	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Child referred to another agency	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(e) Notice of proposed adoption filed	5	4	8	1	5	—	—

Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Home of the Guardian Angel	Antigonish Diocesan Charities	Salvation Army Bethany Home	Salvation Army Parkdale House	Total
13	9	0	—	2	3	—	39	3	—	36	62	4	3	220
20	14	33	1	7	3	8	83	8	4	108	41	17	17	519
28	15	30	1	5	4	6	69	7	2	120	55	19	15	515
5	8	3	—	4	2	2	53	4	2	24	48	2	5	224
20	12	32	1	7	2	8	76	8	4	98	41	15	17	495
—	2	1	—	—	1	—	7	—	—	10	—	2	—	24
2	2	1	—	2	—	—	9	2	—	11	4	1	1	46
9	8	24	—	4	3	5	62	6	2	56	28	13	15	331
5	3	7	1	1	—	3	4	—	—	33	8	3	—	105
3	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	5	1	—	—	21
1	—	1	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	3	—	—	1	13
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	3
2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	4	—	—	22
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	3	12	—	2	2	3	34	2	—	47	10	2	2	151
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	6
1	—	4	—	1	—	—	19	—	—	11	4	2	—	49
—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	7
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
2	2	7	—	1	1	2	10	1	—	36	8	—	—	93

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	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.	Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness-Richmond C.A.S.
10. No. of children under care, March 31, 1987							
(a) Child care facility	–	1	–	–	–	–	–
(b) Foster home	–	1	–	–	9	–	–
(c) With mother	–	–	–	–	6	–	–
(d) Free home placement	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
11. No. of children in No. 10 who were							
(a) Protestant	–	1	–	–	13	–	–
(b) Roman Catholic	–	1	–	–	2	–	–
(c) Other/No finding	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
(d) Boys	–	2	–	–	9	–	–
(e) Girls	–	–	–	–	6	–	–

Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Home of the Guardian Angel	Antigonish Diocesan Charities	Salvation Army Bethany Home	Salvation Army Parkdale House	Total
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2	–	–	–	3
–	–	1	–	–	1	1	5	1	–	–	2	–	–	21
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1	–	–	–	–	–	2	9
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
–	–	1	–	–	1	–	5	1	–	2	–	–	1	25
–	–	–	–	–	–	1	1	–	–	–	2	–	1	8
–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
–	–	–	–	–	1	–	2	1	–	1	–	–	2	18
–	–	1	–	–	–	1	4	–	–	1	2	–	–	15

Table 6

Adoption Services

April 1, 1986 - March 31, 1987

A. Adoptions

1. Number of children adopted 443

2. Age grouping of children at time of legal adoption:

Under 1 year	89	8 years	28
1 year	65	9 years	24
2 years	18	10 years	20
3 years	25	11 years	14
4 years	25	12 years	8
5 years	42	13 years	8
6 years	26	14 years	4
7 years	33	15 years	14
		16 years	—

Average age at time of adoption: 5 years, 3 months.

3. Place of birth of children in No. 1:

(a) Annapolis	7	Inverness	1
Antigonish	15	Kings	32
Cape Breton	73	Lunenburg	13
Colchester	15	Pictou	28
Cumberland	9	Queens	1
Digby	3	Richmond	—
Guysborough	1	Shelburne	5
Halifax	153	Victoria	—
Hants	4	Yarmouth	15
(b) Out of province	68	Birthplace not available	—

4. Number of children in No. 1 born:

(a) In wedlock 123 (b) Out of wedlock 320

5. Religion of children in No. 1:

(a) Protestant 220 (b) Roman Catholic 204 (c) Other 19

6. Length of stay of children in adoption home prior to completion of adoption:

Under 1 year	179	8 years	6
1 year but not over 2 years	126	9 years	1
2 years but not over 3 years	53	10 years	2
3 years	37	11 years	3
4 years	11	12 years	1
5 years	3	13 years	2
6 years	7	14 years	—
7 years	6	15 years	6

Average length of stay in adoption homes: 2 years.

7. **Lapse of time between filing of notice and completion of adoption:**

Under 1 year	328	5 years	2
1 year but not over 2	106	6 years	—
2 years but not over 3	7	7 years	—
3 years	—	8 years	—
4 years	—		

Average lapse of time between filing of notice and completion of adoption: 9 months.

8. **Number of children in No. 1 who were later adopted, where a certificate was granted by the Minister for the waiving of the 6 months' waiting time:** 11.

9. **Number of children in No. 1 placed by:**

(a) Children's Aid Societies	76
(b) Director of Family & Children's Services	28
(c) Child Caring Institutions	36
(d) Out of Province Agencies	2
(e) Private — with relative	257
— with non-relative	44
(f) Director of Children's Aid Society	—

10. (a) **No. of children in No. 1 adopted by two parents** 434
(b) **No. of children in No. 1 adopted by one parent** 9

11. (a) **Boys** 214 (b) **Girls** 229

B. **Adopting Parents**

12. (a) **Classification of adopting father in No. 10(a) by age:**

21-29	126	60-69	5
30-39	220	70 & over	1
40-49	66	Not available	9
50-59	16		

Average age of adopting father is 34 years, 8 months.

(b) **Classification of adopting mother in Nos. 10(a) and (b) by age:**

under 20	3	50-59	14
20-29	144	60-69	1
30-39	243	Not available	1
40-49	37		

Average age of adopting mother is 33 years, 1 month.

13. **Residence of adopting parents in 10(a) and (b):**

Annapolis	7	Kings	41
Antigonish	6	Lunenburg	13
Cape Breton	72	Pictou	33
Colchester	23	Queens	5
Cumberland	23	Richmond	9
Digby	3	Shelburne	8
Guysborough	4	Victoria	—
Halifax	148	Yarmouth	14
Hants	22	Out of Province	8
Inverness	4		

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(Table 6 continued)

14. No. of children in No. 1 adopted into families:

(a) Owning a home	317	(b) Renting a home	126

15. Occupational classification of:

(a) **Adopting Fathers:**

Professional	54	Semi-Skilled Tradesman	4
Business	52	Labourer	40
Armed Services	30	Primary Industries	69
Skilled Tradesman	169	Not Available	25

(b) **Adopting Mothers:**

Housewife	221	Semi-Skilled Tradesman	12
Professional	27	Labourer	17
Business	30	Primary Industries	64
Armed Services	1	Not Available	1
Skilled Tradesman	70		

16. Classification of income of families adopting children in No. 1:

Under $7,000	4
$ 7,000 to 7,999	6
8,000 to 8,999	4
9,000 to 9,999	2
10,000 to 14,999	42
15,000 to 19,999	47
20,000 to 24,999	58
25,000 to 29,999	67
30,000 to 34,999	46
35,000 to 39,999	38
40,000 to 44,999	23
45,000 to 49,999	16
Over $50,000	85
Not stated	5

Average income of families in No. 16 is $31,582.74.

17. Religion of parents adopting in No. 1:

	Father	Mother
(a) Protestant	231	220
(b) Roman Catholic	173	189
(c) Other	37	33

Table 7

Day Care Services

April 1, 1986 - March 31, 1987

	Private	Registered
Number of applications received	53	0
Number of applications pending previous year	8	0
Number of new centres licensed in 1986	33	2
Number of centres closed	16	0
Number of applications pending year end	19	0
Number of licensed centres	293	48
full day	140	48
part day	153	0
Total licensed capacity (private & registered)	341	
Licensed capacity	7,773	2,806
full day	2,476	2,806
part day	5,297	0
Total licensed capacity (private & registered)	10,579	
Number of visits to day care facilities by head office staff (private & registered)	546	

Table 8

Day Care Services: Regional Analysis of Centres & Spaces

March 31, 1987

	Halifax Region	Cape Breton Region	North Shore Region	Central Region	Western Region	Total
A. Registered Centres	23	11	6	4	4	48
Subsidized Spaces	1,214	341	169	125	110	1,959
Non-Subsidized Spaces	441	132	132	94	53	847
Total Spaces	1,655	473	296	219	163	2,806
B. Private Centres & Child Development Centres	130	34	51	40	28	293
Private Spaces	3,273	707	935	764	475	7,773
C. Total Centres	153	45	57	44	32	341
Total Spaces	4,928	1,180	1,231	983	638	10,579

Table 9

Homemakers Services Statistics

January 1987

	Antigonish and Area Homemakers	Antigonish Co. Homemakers	Care for Families Who Care	C.A.S. of Colchester Co.	C.A.S. of Halifax	C.A.S. of Pictou Co.	City of Halifax	Dartmouth Community Homemakers Association	Dartmouth Seniors Kiwanis Multi-Services	Dominion Visiting Homemakers	F. & C.S. of Cumberland Co.
1. Staff Complement											
No. of full-time staff	4	—	4	9	3	—	7	11	3	2	3
No. of part-time staff	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	(2)	—	1	2
No. of teaching homemakers	—	1	—	—	3	2	—	1	—	—	—
No. of visiting homemakers	—	—	—	7	—	—	—	10	3	2.5	—
No. of teaching/ visiting homemakers	—	—	—	1	—	—	5.5	—	—	—	4
Total staff	5	1	4	10	3	2	7	13	3	2.5	5
2. Clientele											
No. of seniors served	43	—	11	88	—	—	20	109	75	35	18
No. of disabled persons served	4	1	7	7	—	—	61	6	5	3	7
No. of families at social risk or in crisis served	1	11	3	2	38	18	—	13	—	—	2
No. of clients carried over from previous month	40	12	16	91	35	14	80	125	—	34	24
No. of new cases accepted this month	3	2	2	6	3	—	1	10	—	—	6
No. of clients terminated this month											
(a) Service no longer required	—	2	—	4	3	—	1	1	—	—	2
(b) Moved to Home for Special Care	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
(c) Expired	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	6	—	—	1
Current total caseload	40	12	18	89	36	17	80	128	80	32	27
3. Referral Source											
Clients referred by:											
Physician	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Hospitals	10	—	4	3	—	—	1	1	—	2	10
Family	20	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	4	3
Self	11	—	—	2	—	—	2	1	—	28	5
C.A.S.	—	—	—	1	3	17	—	3	—	—	2
VON	—	—	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	3
Community health	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
Mental health	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Clergy	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Other	—	10	12	—	—	—	3	3	75	—	—

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F. & C.S. of Kings Co.	F. & C.S. of Lunenburg Co.	Family Services of Support	Homemakers Bureau	Homemakers Services of Annapolis Co.	Homemakers Services of Hants Co.	Kings County Homemakers Services	Municipality of Argyle	Municipality of Barrington	Municipality of Clare	Municipality of Digby	Municipality of Guysborough	Municipality of Halifax Co.	Municipality of Inverness Co.	Municipality of Richmond Co.
2	5	7	4	1	18	9	1	3	2	4	7	9	6	1
—	15	1	11	12	2	—	10	—	2	—	—	10	—	5
2	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	18	—	—	12	—	8	10	—	4	—	—	—	—	5
—	—	—	15	—	18	—	—	3	—	4	7	19	5	—
2	20	8	15	13	20	9	11	3	4	4	7	19	6	6
—	115	—	34	92	163	66	79	52	53	66	86	159	83	69
—	8	—	3	20	5	6	3	—	13	7	5	13	23	6
39	5	81	2	—	—	—	—	1	3	1	7	—	3	1
38	128	74	27	112	127	69	82	53	69	76	97	175	91	79
—	9	7	12	5	11	3	—	1	2	—	2	6	2	—
3	2	9	8	—	6	—	4	—	—	3	—	5	1	3
—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	1	—
—	1	—	2	2	1	—	2	—	1	—	4	1	—	—
35	134	72	29	112	131	72	76	54	69	73	95	173	91	76
—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
—	3	4	4	17	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—
—	—	—	2	14	3	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	—	10
—	4	—	—	50	9	3	—	52	1	1	1	5	—	50
—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	2	1	1	6	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	13
—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	1	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—

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Municipality of Yarmouth Co.	New Waterford Homemakers Service	Northside Visiting Homemakers	Pictou Co. Visiting Homemakers	Queens Co. Homemakers	Red Cross Homemakers	St. Mary's Homemakers Services	Sydney Homes Society	Town of Digby	Town of Glace Bay	Town of Mulgrave	Town of Port Hawkesbury (new agency)	Town of Shelburne	Town of Yarmouth	Total
2	10	6	12	9	3	6	9	2	8	2	—	1	2	197
6	—	3	—	—	24	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	5	115
—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18
7	—	7	11	5	—	6	8	—	5	2	—	—	6	136.5
—	10	—	—	3	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	98.5
8	10	9	12	9	27	7	10	2	8	2	—	1	7	314.5
47	115	64	95	62	94	25	98	36	76	33	—	17	50	2,328
2	25	8	16	5	12	5	13	1	16	4	—	—	5	325
—	3	—	2	1	5	1	—	2	3	2	—	1	—	251
47	116	63	94	67	110	34	106	40	88	31	—	18	52	2,634
2	3	9	—	3	12	—	5	2	6	—	—	1	3	139
2	1	1	—	1	10	—	6	1	3	4		—	2	88
—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	16
—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	2	31
47	118	71	93	67	111	34	105	39	91	25	—	19	51	2,722
—	2	—	6	—	—	3	1	1	5	2	—	—	—	26
—	9	—	5	—	2	—	18	—	13	1	—	—	—	112
2	19	2	6	—	8	9	22	—	13	7	—	—	1	153
—	80	4	85	—	1	14	57	—	53	14	—	18	1	552
—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	30
—	1	—	4	—	—	—	3	—	6	—	—	—	—	28
—	—	1	3	—	1	2	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	48
—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
—	5	2	2	—	—	6	10	1	1	1	—	—	1	152

Table 10

Family Court Statistics *Year ending March 31, 1987*	Annapolis	Antigonish	Cape Breton	Colchester	Cumberland	Digby	Guysborough
CHILDREN'S SERVICES ACT							
Number of Children Brought Before the Court							
Believed to be in need of protection	33	18	186	51	40	14	9
Unmanageable while in care and custody under Section 55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unmanageable while in the charge of the Minister	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Application for termination	6	1	6	9	13	1	7
Other	33	4	29	16	9	0	10
Total	72	23	221	76	62	15	26
Disposition re Children Brought Before the Court							
Adjourned under Section 49(1)(a)	4	16	92	24	14	6	2
Temporary care and custody Section 49(1)(a)(i)	36	6	37	5	5	0	8
Referral under Section49(1)(a)(ii)	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dismissed under Section 49(1)(b)	4	0	15	7	2	1	0
Dismissed under Section 49(1)(c)(i)	10	1	11	13	0	2	1
Care and custody under Section 49(i)(c)(ii)	10	1	24	4	11	3	8
Adjourned Section 52(3)(a)	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
Adjourned Section 52(3)(b)	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
Terminate care and custody Section 52(3)(c)	4	0	9	4	9	1	3
Application for termination dismissed 52(3)(d)	0	1	11	1	4	0	0
Others	14	4	17	16	14	2	4
Total (includes adjournments)	88	23	220	76	59	15	26

Halifax	Hants	Inverness	Kings	Lunenburg	Pictou	Queens	Richmond	Shelburne	Victoria	Yarmouth	Total
849	26	6	27	51	43	6	7	47	0	29	1,142
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	1	0	4	0	23	1	0	7	0	26	127
89	0	16	6	0	8	4	0	2	0	2	228
960	27	22	37	51	74	11	7	56	0	57	1,797
270	9	1	5	0	0	1	5	24	0	20	493
345	6	0	56	30	50	1	0	1	0	0	586
18	0	0	14	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	39
61	1	2	4	0	15	0	0	14	0	4	130
41	2	7	14	0	13	1	1	2	0	0	119
79	4	0	17	3	19	3	0	4	0	8	198
4	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	1	0	8	30
4	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	3	0	0	20
16	2	0	5	4	16	1	0	5	0	13	92
7	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	1	0	0	33
124	3	12	4	2	6	4	1	1	0	4	232
969	27	22	119	39	152	11	7	56	0	57	1,966

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(Table 10 continued)	*Annapolis*	*Antigonish*	*Cape Breton*	*Colchester*	*Cumberland*	*Digby*	*Guysborough*
FAMILY MAINTENANCE ACT							
Number of Applications Commenced							
For maintenance under Sections 3 and 9	101	57	873	102	120	76	31
For maintenance under Section 11	11	53	287	49	47	10	11
For maintenance under Section 15	0	4	24	0	0	2	2
For custody and access pursuant to Section 18(1)	60	59	448	72	135	28	17
To change order under Section 40(2)	9	18	286	82	106	16	10
Default actions under Section 39	112	68	1,353	143	240	296	38
To change order under Section 36	22	30	260	55	142	36	13
Other	0	10	4	16	62	0	10
Total number of applications	315	299	3,535	519	945	476	132
MAINTENANCE ORDERS ENFORCEMENT ACT							
Number of Actions Commenced							
Application to vary	1	5	12	2	2	0	2
Provincial	11	4	66	13	14	4	0
Confirming	1	0	4	1	0	0	1
Default action	12	6	11	23	32	0	1
Rescinded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	25	15	93	39	48	4	4
SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGE ACT							
Number of Actions Commenced							
Consents granted	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Consents refused	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marriages performed	0	0	1	0	14	0	0

Halifax	Hants	Inverness	Kings	Lunenburg	Pictou	Queens	Richmond	Shelburne	Victoria	Yarmouth	Total
1,289	72	40	173	74	315	34	22	79	29	148	3,635
328	3	31	55	8	80	16	10	18	3	60	1,080
10	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	44
742	6	22	163	43	259	0	4	8	15	12	2,093
520	8	9	75	136	75	30	11	19	3	67	1,480
1,693	76	92	369	189	211	87	48	342	39	715	6,102
569	15	35	83	90	142	18	9	34	6	76	1,635
77	0	30	1	1	48	0	0	1	0	3	263
5,228	181	291	919	541	1,130	203	119	5,975	86	1,147	16,642
6	0	2	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	37
109	0	3	17	6	1	1	3	5	1	5	263
25	1	0	4	0	3	1	0	6	0	5	52
87	4	5	20	0	10	1	0	0	0	0	212
2	0	3	0	6	18	0	0	0	0	0	29
229	5	13	43	6	32	3	6	11	1	10	587
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
250	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	279

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	Annapolis	Antigonish	Cape Breton	Colchester	Cumberland	Digby	Guysborough
CRIMINAL CODE							
Number of Actions Commenced							
Section 168	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Section 197	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Section 245	0	2	168	14	2	5	0
Section 666	0	0	14	0	0	0	0
Section 745	1	1	73	8	17	0	1
Section 746	0	0	1	2	0	0	0
Total	1	3	256	24	19	5	1
INFANTS' CUSTODY ACT							
No. of applications	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
TOTAL NUMBER OF HEARINGS	658	319	4,960	886	971	380	183

Halifax	Hants	Inverness	Kings	Lunenburg	Pictou	Queens	Richmond	Shelburne	Victoria	Yarmouth	Total
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
121	6	5	8	2	16	1	10	9	2	14	385
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
202	2	1	8	1	14	0	5	3	3	0	340
34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
357	9	6	16	3	30	1	15	12	5	14	777
1,880	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	1,887
12,464	370	316	1,499	194	1,175	117	136	447	120	1	25,196

Table 11

Family Court Statistics
Enforcement Services
Family Court Maintenance Orders and Collections

April 1, 1986 - March 31, 1987

	Cape Breton Region	Cape Breton Region	Halifax	Dartmouth
	Victoria & Cape Breton counties	Richmond & Inverness counties	City of Halifax & county	City of Dartmouth & county
(a) No. of cases where court order was issued	315	59	616	262
(b) No. of cases where court orders were discontinued	305	16	20	11
(c) No. of active court order cases at end of year	1,176	270	1,985	1,077
(d) No. of court order violations	1,374	119	780	447
(e) Total collections from court orders during the year	$2,727,381.03	$380,772.61	$3,767,078.60	$2,718,273.19

	North Shore Region	North Shore Region	North Shore Region	Central Region	Western Region	Total
	Cumberland County	Pictou Antigonish Guysborough counties	Colchester East Hants counties	Kings Annapolis Lunenburg West Hants counties	Yarmouth Shelburne Digby Queens counties	
(a)	167	159	209	251	209	2,247
(b)	52	18	147	63	136	768
(c)	519	1,215	597	1,597	1,157	9,593
(d)	236	324	264	888	1,409	5,841
(e)	$732,927.30	$1,509,727.85	$609,681.11	$2,165,010.86	$1,305,183.60	$15,916,036.15

Table 12

Young Offender Statistics: Offenders by Age, Sex and Statute

Fiscal Year April 1, 1987 - March 31, 1987

Statute	Age	12		13		14		15		16		unknown		Total
	Sex	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	
Criminal Code		9	84	34	165	62	327	84	410	3	21	5	26	1,231
Food and Drug Act		—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2
Narcotics Control Act		—	1	—	—	—	3	—	8	—	—	—	1	13
Young Offenders Act (33)		—	2	—	5	3	12	5	29	4	12	—	3	75
Other Federal Statutes		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	4
Motor Vehicle Act		—	—	1	12	5	13	1	32	—	—	—	1	65
Liquor Control Act		—	—	—	1	—	10	3	44	—	1	—	—	59
Education Act		1	2	—	3	3	2	5	2	—	—	—	2	20
Other Provincial Statutes		—	—	—	1	4	9	1	16	—	2	1	2	36
Total		10	89	36	187	78	376	99	546	7	36	6	35	1,505

Table 13

Young Offender Statistics: Offences by Age, Sex and Statute

Fiscal Year April 1, 1987 - March 31, 1987

Statute	Age	12		13		14		15		16		unknown		Total
	Sex	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	
Criminal Code		10	140	47	253	99	576	126	653	4	34	7	376	1,986
Food and Drug Act		—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2
Narcotics Control Act		—	1	—	—	—	3	—	11	—	—	—	1	16
Young Offenders Act (33)		—	4	—	6	3	15	6	46	4	17	—	5	106
Other Federal Statutes		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	5
Motor Vehicle Act		—	—	1	15	7	19	1	40	—	—	—	2	85
Liquor Control Act		—	—	—	2	—	13	4	56	—	2	—	—	77
Education Act		1	2	—	4	3	3	5	2	—	—	—	2	22
Other Provincial Statutes		—	—	1	1	4	12	1	21	—	2	2	2	46
Total		11	147	49	281	117	641	143	835	8	55	9	49	2,345

Table 14

Young Offender Statistics: Disposition by Age and Sex, Counting Offenders

Fiscal Year April 1, 1987 – March 31, 1987

Disposition	Age	12		13		14		15		16		unknown		Total
	Sex	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	
Absolute Discharge		2	11	10	14	7	17	4	28	—	3	1	5	102
Community Service Order		—	—	2	5	4	7	1	12	—	—	—	2	33
Fine		1	13	6	20	13	60	14	114	1	5	1	3	251
Restitution		—	2	—	4	—	2	—	5	—	—	—	—	13
Prohibition		—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	4
Probation		1	50	13	96	24	156	43	208	3	16	1	11	622
Open Custody		—	1	—	13	5	53	8	86	2	5	—	2	175
Secure Custody		—	—	—	—	—	9	—	10	—	—	—	1	20
Detention/Treatment		—	1	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
Other		6	11	5	34	25	68	29	81	1	7	3	11	281
Total		10	89	36	187	78	376	99	546	7	36	6	35	1,505

Table 15

Young Offender Statistics: Disposition by Age and Sex, Counting Offences

Fiscal Year April 1, 1987 - March 31, 1987

Disposition	Age	12		13		14		15		16		unknown		Total
	Sex	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	
Absolute Discharge		2	14	11	14	9	18	4	28	—	3	2	5	110
Community Service Order		—	1	2	6	4	7	2	14	—	—	—	2	38
Fine		1	15	6	23	13	67	15	123	1	5	1	4	274
Restitution		—	3	—	5	—	9	2	14	—	—	—	—	33
Prohibition		—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	4
Probation		1	78	14	125	33	214	48	279	3	23	1	14	833
Open Custody		—	4	—	20	7	97	14	152	2	9	—	3	308
Secure Custody		—	—	—	—	—	15	—	14	—	—	—	2	31
Detention/Treatment		—	1	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	5
Other		7	31	16	87	51	200	58	209	2	15	5	19	700
Total		11	147	49	281	117	641	143	835	8	55	9	49	2,345

Table 16

Cape Breton Youth Resource Centre
Statistical Report

April 1, 1986 - March 31, 1987

	Male	Female	Total
1. Youth in care on April 1, 1986	0	0	0
2. Youth admitted, April 1, 1986, to March 31, 1987			
Committed to open custody	0	1	1
Transferred from Shelburne Youth Centre	9	0	9
Admitted as condition of probation	3	0	3
Total since April 1, 1986	12	1	13
3. No. of releases since April 1, 1986			
Section 28	1	0	1
Section 29	0	0	0
Order of Appeal Court	0	0	0
Released end of custody period	5	0	5
Transferred to Shelburne Youth Centre	0	1	1
Total number released during period	6	1	7
4. Days of care provided during period			462
Remand			1
Total days of care			463
5. No. of temporary releases granted	69	12	81
6. No. of temporary releases revoked	0	0	0
7. No. escaping custody	2	1	3
8. No. charged with escaping custody	0	0	0
9. No. remanded to temporary detention	1	0	1
10. No. remanded to temporary detention for assessment	0	0	0
11. Ages of youths admitted to facility			
Age 12	0	0	0
Age 13	2	1	3
Age 14	0	1	1
Age 15	8	0	8
Age 16	3	0	3

(Cont'd)

(Table 16 Continued)

	Male	Female	Total
12. No. of youth committed for			
Armed robbery	0	0	0
Break and enter	0	0	0
Break, enter and theft	3	0	3
Assault causing bodily harm	0	0	0
Theft	5	0	5
Other	5	0	5

13. Staff complement (full-time)	
Administration, managerial and supervisory	2
Daily living and recreational	5
Secretarial, stenographic and clerks	1
Total	7

The seven full-time staff are complemented by part-time casual staff as required.

Table 17

Shelburne Youth Centre
Statistical Report

April 1, 1986 - March 31, 1987

	Male	Female	Total
1. Youth in care on April 1, 1986	46	7	53
2. Youth committed from April 1, 1986, to March 31, 1987			
Open custody	124	27	151
Secure custody	5	2	7
Combination open/secure custody	7	0	7
No. transferred from other facilities	0	1	1
Total since April 1, 1986	136	30	166
3. No. of releases since April 1, 1986			
Section 28	9	1	10
Section 29	2	0	2
Order of Appeal Court	2	0	2
Released end of custody period	121	28	149
No. transferred to other facilities	9	0	9
Total number released during period	143	29	172
4. Days of care provided during period			
Open custody			18,736
Secure custody			2,237
Remand			2,114
Total days of care			23,087
5. No. of temporary releases granted	242	35	277
6. No. of temporary releases revoked	1	0	1
7. No. escaping custody	31	3	34
8. No. charged with escaping custody	23	2	25
9. No. remanded to temporary detention	61	16	77
10. No. remanded to temporary detention for assessment	51	12	63
11. Ages of youth committed/transferred to custody:			
Age 12	1	0	1
Age 13	11	0	11
Age 14	25	4	29
Age 15	84	4	88
Age 16 & over	18	18	36

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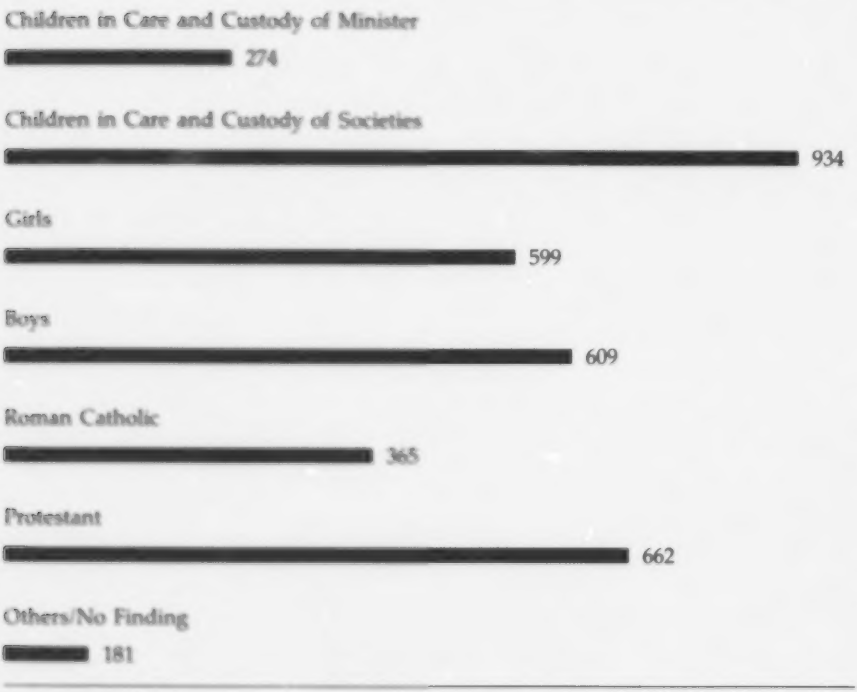
(Table 17 continued)

	Male	Female	Total
12. No. of youth committed for:			
Armed robbery	1	0	1
Break and enter	6	1	7
Break, enter and theft	41	1	42
Assault causing bodily harm	6	2	8
Theft	50	11	61
Other	63	20	83
13. Staff complement			
Administration, managerial and supervisory			12
Psychology and social			4
Academic and vocational			10
Daily living and recreational			38
Secretarial, stenographic and clerks			7
Cooks, domestics, seamstresses			9
Maintenance, janitorial			7
Total			87

Chart 1

Children in Care and Custody

March 31, 1987



What Ages?	
Birth to 4 years	91
5 to 9 years	131
10 to 14 years	315
15 to 18 years	523
19 to 20 years	148

Where Were They?	
Foster Homes	724
Independent Living/Boarding Homes/ Independence House	132
Adoption Probation	63
Free Home	7
Self-Supporting	34
Own Parents	56
Child Caring Facilities	134*
Others	58

*See Table 1, 4(d) (e) (f) (g) (h) (i) (j) (k) (o).

Chart 2

Adoptions

From April 1, 1986 to March 31, 1987

Total = 443

Boys

Girls

Born in Wedlock

Born out of Wedlock

Roman Catholic

Protestant

Others

Placed Privately

Placed by Social Agencies

Average Completed Adoption

Child has been in home 2 years.
Mother was 33 years, 1 month.
Father was 34 years, 8 months.

Chart 3

Adoption Register Inquiries
(includes telephone, letter and personal contacts)

April 1, 1986 to March 31, 1987

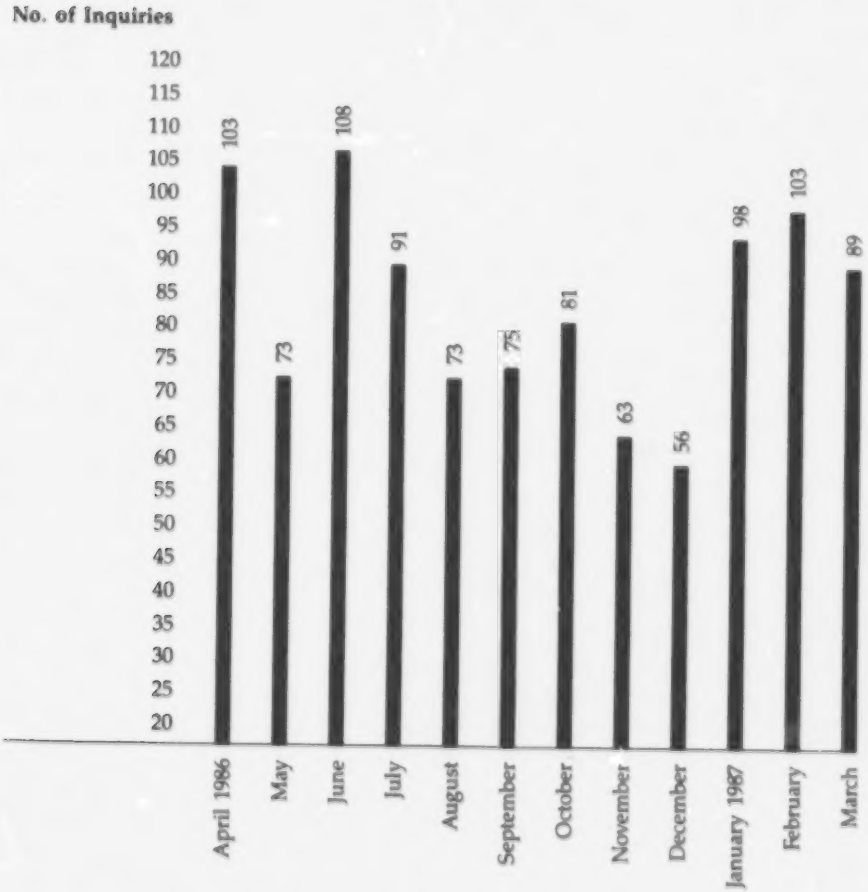
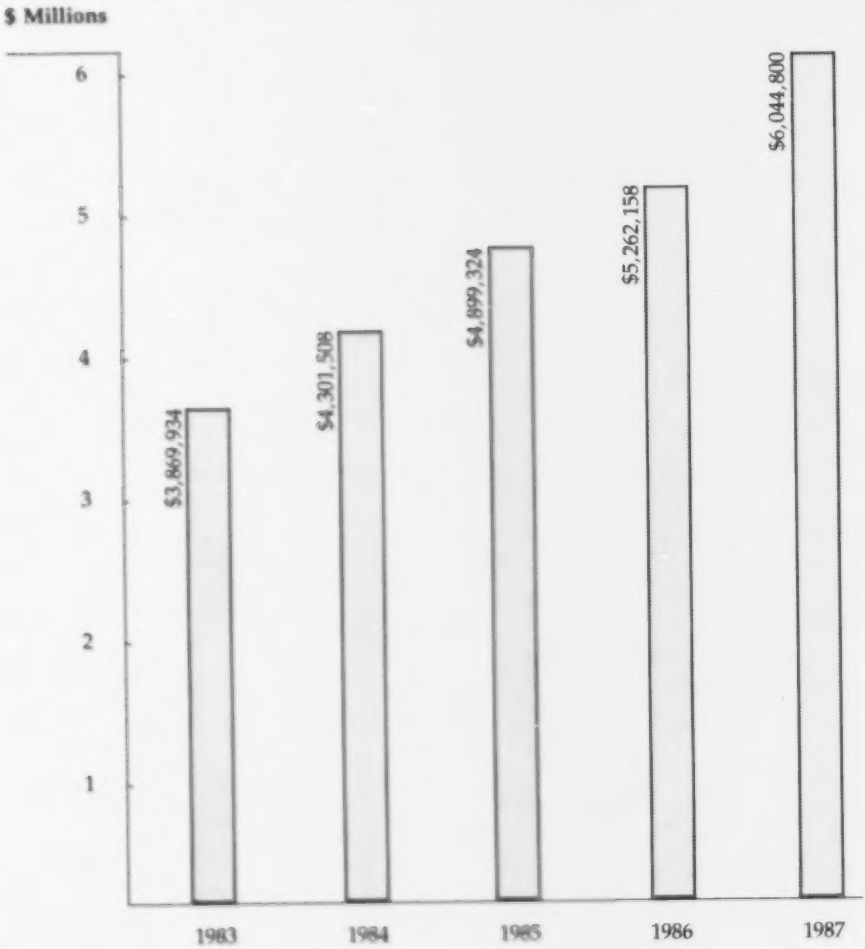


Chart 4

Day Care Subsidy Expenses

1983–87



Social Services

Family Benefits Division

Bill Campbell, Director

The Family Benefits Division, formed on April 1, 1979, is responsible for the administration of the following income-support programs:

- Family Benefits
- Diabetic Assistance
- Family Benefits Pharmacare
- Senior Citizens Financial Aid
    - Seniors' Special Assistance
    - Property Tax Rebate, and
    - Rental Assistance.

Family Benefits

The Family Benefits Act provides for financial payments to individuals or families who are in need and where the cause of need is likely to be of a prolonged nature (see Tables 18-21 and Charts 5 and 6). The groups of individuals and families who may apply for benefits are:

- *Aged.* People 65 years of age and over who are not eligible to receive federal Old Age Security (Canada) payments.

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- *Disabled.* People who are 18 years of age and over and have a major physical or mental impairment likely to be present for at least one year which prevents participation in the regular labour market, and who are not eligible for Old Age Security (see Table 22).
- *Single parents.* Any father or mother with a dependent child or children in his or her care and custody and who is:
  - widowed
  - deserted
  - divorced
  - has a husband or wife sentenced to two years or longer in a federal penitentiary
  - unmarried and has reached the age of majority, or
  - is the husband or wife of a disabled spouse who is in hospital or a similar institution.
- *Foster parents.* Individuals having in their care and custody a dependent child who is not being maintained by the natural parents. The maximum payment is $102 for the first child and $91 for each additional child, up to $458 per month.
- *Disabled fathers or mothers.* A father or mother who is disabled and has a dependent child or children in his or her care and custody.

A dependent child is a person under the age of 18 who is not employed and is dependent on his or her parent or parents for

support. Benefits may be paid on behalf of a dependent child who is between the ages of 18 and 21 and pursuing an educational program.

Payments

Family Benefits payments, with the exception of those made to foster parents, are determined on the basis of a needs test. This test compares the total of actual shelter costs (e.g., rent, mortgage, electricity and fuel) up to a maximum level depending on family size, and personal allowances for adults and children, with the income available to the individual or family. The difference is the Family Benefits entitlement. Payments are mailed at the end of each month and represent the entitlement for the following month.

Assets

An individual granted Family Benefits as a disabled or aged person may have $3,000 in cash or liquid assets and still receive benefits if all other eligibility requirements have been met. When the disabled or aged person is married and living with his or her spouse, the assets are increased to $5,500.

If the eligible person is a single father or mother with a dependent child, he or she may have cash or liquid assets of $2,500 and still receive benefits. A recipient of Family Benefits may also set up a trust fund for each dependent child and, provided the fund does not exceed $1,005, benefits may be paid. The trust fund may be used, if approved by the Director of Family Benefits, to improve the education of the child beyond the high school level.

Work Incentives

A single, disabled recipient of Family Benefits may earn from employment up to $100 per month without affecting his or her monthly entitlement. Where there are gross wages of more than $100 per month, 75% of the excess wages are fully taken into account when calculating the monthly Family Benefits entitlement. The basic exemption of $100 is increased to $200 if the recipient is married and lives with his or her spouse.

A single parent may earn up to $200 per month without any reduction to his or her monthly entitlement. Gross wages of more than

the basic exemption of $200 are taken into account at 75% when determining the monthly entitlement.

Administration

The Family Benefits computer-assisted program calculates the monthly entitlement, prints the monthly cheques and produces the cheque register and other control reports. It also produces management reports, retains payment history information and provides a review system for the regular assessment of recipient eligibilities.

In June 1979 the Family Benefits Program was the first departmental program to convert to the new computerized management information system, which has as its base a departmental Client Index. Among other features, the Client Index system provides a means to identify clients involved with other programs of the Department. Computer enhancements are designed and implemented as necessary. In addition, in the past year a new computerized Pharmacare system was installed which gives staff immediate access to detailed client Pharmacare information. A new letter-generating system allows communication with recipients on a more timely basis.

Regulations Schedules

Major changes to the Family Benefits Program were put into effect on July 1, 1980, that necessitated the use of two schedules of regulations: Schedule A and Schedule B. The latter is used for all applications received after July 1, 1980, and for all recipients in pay prior to that date who are entitled to better benefits than under Schedule A. As of March 31, 1987, approximately 99% of recipients receive benefits under the provisions of Schedule B.

Vocational Rehabilitation Program for Single Parents

Effective September 1, 1983, amendments were made to the Family Benefits regulations to provide additional benefits, not exceeding $200 per month, to cover the actual costs incurred by recipients who participate in a rehabilitation program. The provision applies to disabled individuals and to single parents. These additional benefits coincide with and complement the implementation of a vocational rehabilitation program for single parents receiving Family Benefits, a program administered by the Rehabilitation and Community Services

Division (refer to the report of that division for a more complete description of this program).

It is expected that the availability of the vocational rehabilitation program and the additional Family Benefits funds will help single parents become and remain financially independent.

Decentralization

The decision-making function of the Family Benefits Program has been successfully decentralized in the Halifax and Cape Breton regions to include the Sackville and Port Hawkesbury areas, respectively, representing 55% of the provincial caseload. Experience to date indicates that the decentralized process has improved service to Family Benefits recipients by bringing decision-making staff closer to both Family Benefits workers and clients. Planning is under way to extend the process to the remaining regions of the province.

Diabetic Assistance

On May 1, 1960, the Department of Health implemented a new program to provide medication and testing materials free of charge to diabetics whose annual income was $3,600 or less. The program was financed through health grants from the Government of Canada. On April 1, 1968, this program was transferred to the Department of Social Services and the test of eligibility was changed from one based on income level to one based on financial need. This change enables diabetics with an income greater than $3,600, but with family responsibilities, to qualify for free medication and testing materials. As of March 31, 1984, the Department of Health no longer had any financial involvement in any part of the Diabetic Assistance Program.

Each diabetic is provided with an identity card, to be presented to a pharmacy of choice, to obtain particular requirements. Pharmacies are reimbursed through Medical Services Insurance and Maritime Medical Care on behalf of the Department of Social Services. (Refer to Table 23.)

Family Benefits Pharmacare

On September 1, 1981, a Pharmacare program was introduced to provide free prescription drugs, prescribed ostomy equipment, and diabetic supplies such as disposable needles and testing materials for all disabled recipients of Family Benefits.

Family Benefits Training Seminar

Individuals who are granted benefits because they are disabled are automatically provided with Pharmacare coverage. Those who receive Family Benefits because they are single parents are required to demonstrate that they are disabled within the meaning of the Family Benefits Act and Regulations before becoming eligible for Pharmacare benefits.

Pharmacare benefits are not available to the spouse of a disabled person or to the dependent child of disabled people or single parents. Residents of Homes for Special Care who receive Family Benefits are also ineligible to receive Pharmacare benefits.

An identification card is issued to each eligible recipient on the first day of every month. On presentation of this Pharmacare card and a prescription prepared by a physician or dentist to a Nova Scotia pharmacy, the Family Benefits recipient receives the prescribed medication. The pharmacy is reimbursed through Medical Services Insurance and Maritime Medical Care Inc.

The benefits of the Pharmacare program are identical to the benefits provided under the Senior Citizens Pharmacare Program. (Refer to Table 24.)

Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs

During the spring of 1981 a bill to replace Part IV of the Social Assistance Act was introduced. The bill received assent on June 24, 1981, and is now Chapter 11 of the Acts of 1981, the Senior Citizens Financial Aid Act. This Act provides for three separate financial aid programs for senior citizens (refer to Table 25).

Seniors' Special Assistance

This program has been in effect since 1973 under the provisions of Part VI of the Social Assistance Act, and provides an annual lump sum payment to recipients of a Guaranteed Income Supplement to the Old Age Security Pension. There are four levels of payment. The payment awarded to seniors depends on the level of their Guaranteed Income Supplement.

Property Tax Rebate

This program was first introduced in the fall of 1980. It provides a rebate of 50% of residential property taxes paid by seniors who own and regularly reside in their own homes and who receive either a Guaranteed Income Supplement or a Spouse's Allowance.

Rental Assistance

This program, which became effective on April 1, 1981, provides a monthly assistance payment to seniors who rent their home and whose monthly rental payment exceeds 30% of their monthly income. Rental Assistance is available to seniors who receive a Guaranteed Income Supplement or a Spouse's Allowance or who are single and have an annual income of $9,800 or less. Maximum rent criteria are used for single people and for married couples when determining the level of a Rental Assistance payment.

Table 18

Family Benefits Caseload by Categories

On March 31 of each year of five-year period ending March 31, 1987

	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87
Disabled Persons	11,677	12,214	12,817	12,670	12,334
Disabled Father or Mother	1,652	1,695	1,752	1,766	1,719
Aged	32	34	30	29	24
Unemployable Women	78	86	84	43	N.A.
Foster Parents	277	263	243	211	185
Single Parents:					
widowed	938	874	783	663	613
spouse of disabled person	19	14	13	12	9
spouse of prisoner	21	20	21	24	20
deserted	2,737	2,796	2,955	2,983	2,970
divorced	1,605	1,693	1,681	1,599	1,630
unmarried	2,906	3,079	3,222	3,304	3,535

Note: On January 1, 1987, categories were expanded to include benefits to both genders.

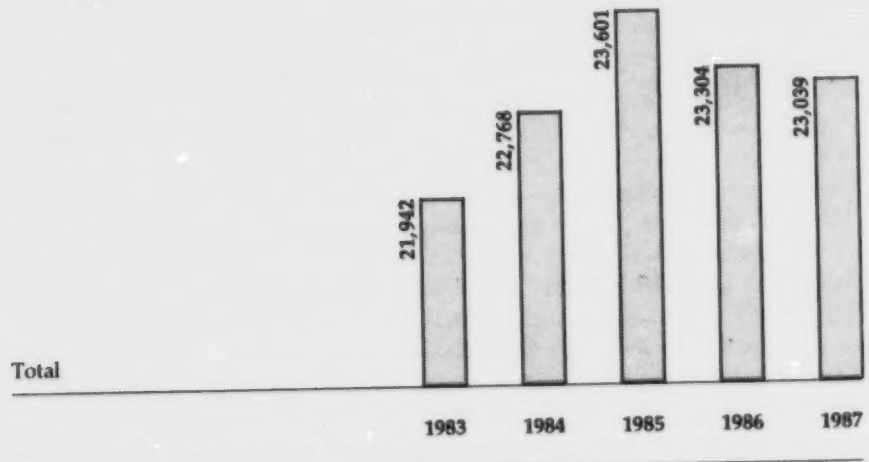

Table 19

Average Monthly Family Benefits Payments by Categories

On March 31 of each year of five-year period ending March 31, 1987

	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87
Disabled Person	$278.03	$296.84	$310.00	$324.00	$334.00
Disabled Father or Mother	443.19	450.45	474.00	490.00	467.00
Aged	294.41	286.48	327.00	344.00	356.00
Unemployable Women	262.87	273.57	269.00	330.00	N.A.
Foster Parents	110.28	107.63	122.00	126.00	131.00
Single Parents:					
widowed	317.91	342.24	360.00	379.00	387.00
spouse of disabled person	358.61	304.08	338.00	413.00	454.00
spouse of prisoner	481.68	611.62	635.00	539.00	615.00
deserted	476.83	518.28	544.00	565.00	578.00
divorced	459.89	504.93	525.00	543.00	615.00
unmarried	410.70	448.92	486.00	520.00	573.00

Note: On January 1, 1987, categories were expanded to include benefits to both genders.

Number of children benefiting from Family Benefits Program	21,346
Average number of children per case (families only)	2.08
Total number of persons benefiting under the Family Benefits Program	44,385
Average monthly Family Benefits as of March 31, 1987	$429

Table 20

Gross Family Benefits Expenditures by Categories

On March 31 of each year of five-year period ending March 31, 1987

	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87*
Disabled Person	$41,173,761	$44,003,700	$45,802,016	$48,529,548	$49,023,419
Disabled Father or Mother	8,022,791	10,704,191	9,508,667	10,149,576	9,478,565
Aged	102,180	148,380	116,089	119,736	93,847
Unemployable Women	223,387	317,421	284,943	162,456	N.A.
Foster Parents	348,966	419,812	337,711	316,668	293,273
Single Parents: widowed	3,483,237	4,189,356	3,482,642	2,939,160	2,686,375
spouse of disabled person	78,592	74,310	73,874	59,508	46,924
spouse of prisoner	132,522	135,551	147,748	148,565	140,771
deserted	13,508,271	15,509,001	18,046,417	19,897,980	20,482,146
divorced	7,535,955	8,320,999	10,342,391	10,266,624	10,909,734
unmarried	11,878,149	13,097,954	17,392,102	20,249,772	24,153,917
Totals	$86,487,811	$96,920,675	$105,534,600	$112,852,072	$117,308,970

*Effective January 1, 1987, categories have been expanded to include benefits to both genders.

Table 21

Family Benefits Monthly Caseload and Liability by Counties

March 1987

	Number of Allowances Paid	Monthly Liability
Annapolis	567	$233,079
Antigonish	370	146,747
Cape Breton	5,533	2,434,893
Colchester	1,003	440,504
Cumberland	1,055	395,231
Digby	624	243,236
Guysborough	351	128,837
Halifax	5,983	2,729,060
Hants	686	279,017
Inverness	676	257,601
Kings	1,239	524,255
Lunenburg	929	372,628
Pictou	1,475	628,321
Queens	324	123,392
Richmond	379	151,141
Shelburne	321	113,585
Victoria	198	78,609
Yarmouth	874	365,486
Totals	22,587	$9,645,622

Table 22

Nature of Disabilities of Disabled Persons Receiving Family Benefits

On March 31, 1987

	1986	1987
Salmonella Infections	2	1
Other Intestinal Infections	4	4
Tuberculosis	44	35
Strep Throat/Scarlet Fever	2	3
Polio	35	30
Viral Encephalitis	2	2
Infectious Hepatitis	4	3
Other Infectious Diseases	9	9
Cancer	179	153
Leukemia	6	8
Benign Cancer	37	35
Carcinoma of Cervix Uteri	1	2
Neoplasms of Unspecified Nature	3	3
Nontoxic Goiter	2	2
Thyrotoxicosis	5	4
Diseases of Thyroid Gland	17	17
Diabetes	254	236
Other Endocrine Diseases	9	10
Nutritional Deficiency	4	3
Disorders of Metabolism	11	12
Other Metabolic Diseases	11	9
Iron Deficiency Anemias	5	4
Anemias	7	6
Blood Diseases	5	6
Alcoholic Psychosis	32	32
Schizophrenia	1,523	1,470
Affective Psychoses	329	310
Other Psychoses	182	206
Neuroses	114	115
Alcoholism	88	88
Drug Dependence	11	11
Non-psychotic Mental Disorders	1,048	1,122
Mental Retardation	3,703	3,702
Inflammatory Diseases	15	14
Diseases of Nervous System	438	433
Multiple Sclerosis	77	74
Cerebral Palsy	194	194
Epilepsy	387	381
Inflammatory Eye Diseases	12	13
Strabismus	2	6
Cataract	10	10

	1986	1987
Glaucoma	22	23
Other Eye Diseases	300	286
Mastoiditis	10	11
Ear Diseases	79	77
Active Rheumatic Fever	1	1
Rheumatic Heart Disease	16	13
Hypertension	609	546
Heart Disease	786	716
Cerebral Hemorrhage	23	21
Stroke	90	78
Arteriosclerosis	48	41
Artery Diseases	38	36
Pulmonary Embolism	6	4
Phlebitis & Thrombosis	15	15
Varicose Veins	15	17
Circulatory System Diseases	29	29
Upper Respiratory Infection	9	10
Bronchitis & Emphysema	397	370
Asthma	66	73
Chronic Sinusitis	4	4
Lung Diseases	30	35
Empyema & Abscess of Lung	6	4
Pneumoconiosis	6	6
Respiratory System Disease	105	98
Diseases of Teeth	1	-
Ulcer of Duodenum	24	22
Ulcer of Stomach	23	28
Gastritis & Duodenitis	18	17
Esophagus/Stomach Disease	21	24
Hernia without Obstruction	13	13
Hernia with Obstruction	7	6
Intestinal Obstruction	5	5
Chronic Colitis	18	27
Intestinal Disease	16	19
Cirrhosis of Liver	38	32
Other Liver Diseases	3	4
Cholelithiasis	2	3
Gall Bladder Disease	7	7
Pancreas Disease	13	15
Nephritis & Nephrosis	19	16
Kidney Infections	22	24
Calculus of Urinary System	3	2
Urinary System Diseases	28	29
Redundant Prepuce & Phimosis	7	6

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(Table 22 continued)

	1986	1987
Ovary/Fallopian Tube Disease	1	2
Female Genital Organs Disease	1	-
Complications of Puerperium	1	-
Skin & Tissue Disease	31	26
Arthritis	1,024	1,023
Osteoarthritis	376	323
Bone Disease	77	71
Slip Disc	156	141
Joint Diseases	284	283
Synovitis/Bursitis/Tonosynovitis	9	9
Musculoskeletal System Disease	200	205
Spine Bifida	15	14
Congenital Anomalies of Heart	1	1
Cleft Palate & Cleft Lip	5	4
Congenital Anomalies/Digestive	1	3
Congenital Anomalies/Skeletal	30	31
Congenital Anomalies	21	21
Birth Injury	6	5
Asphyxia/Anoxia/Hypoxia	3	2
Hemolytic Disease of Newborn	3	2
Senility	6	6
Skull Fracture	32	38
Spine & Trunk Fractures	36	29
Upper Limb Fracture	16	19
Femus Fracture	35	33
Lower Limb Fracture	48	47
Dislocations & Sprains	38	42
Internal Injury, Chest/Pelvis	5	4
Foreign Bodies	3	3
Burns	5	5
Amputations	178	168
Surgical Complications	4	4
Effects of External Causes	11	15
Examinations without Sickness	7	11
Other	18	16

Table 23

Diabetic Assistance
Number of Recipients and Liability

March 31, 1987

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients	Liability
1982-83	680	$164,506
1983-84	620	$205,891
1984-85	591	$205,345
1985-86	577	$230,397
1986-87	563	$258,177

Table 24

Pharmacare
Number of Recipients and Liability

March 31, 1987

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients	Liability
1982-83	13,736	$3,363,038
1983-84	13,900	$4,519,498
1984-85	14,004	$4,740,680
1985-86	13,911	$5,912,004
1986-87	14,347	$6,914,423

Table 25

Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs

March 31, 1987

Seniors' Special Assistance

Fiscal Year	Levels of Payment	No. of Recipients	Total Payments
1977-78	150,135,100,075	48,948	$ 6,492,520
1978-79	150,135,100,075	51,827	$ 6,754,155
1979-80	162,146,100,081	52,800	$ 7,504,742
1980-81	176,159,115,088	53,409	$ 8,144,045
1981-82	198,178,132,099	54,432	$ 9,281,113
1982-83	219,197,146,109	56,286	$10,556,581
1983-84	219,197,146,109	56,616	$10,449,038
1984-85	219,197,146,109	57,170	$10,444,662
1985-86	219,197,146,109	58,302	$10,543,147
1986-87	219,197,146,109	57,914	$10,361,328

Property Tax Rebate

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients	Total Payments
1980-81	21,074	$2,167,950
1981-82	21,297	$2,405,474
1982-83	20,135	$2,690,441
1983-84	18,967	$2,624,530
1984-85	18,600	$2,694,006
1985-86	19,130	$3,001,237
1986-87	19,431	$3,180,481

Rental Assistance

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients	Total Payments
1981-82	1,789	$ 902,221.21
1982-83	1,650	$ 940,008.00
1983-84	1,600	$1,083,174.24
1984-85	1,950	$1,211,327.00
1985-86	1,830	$1,036,366.00
1986-87	1,645	$ 910,636.00

Chart 5

Total Family Benefits
(Excluding Seniors' Program)

March 31, 1983 - March 31, 1987

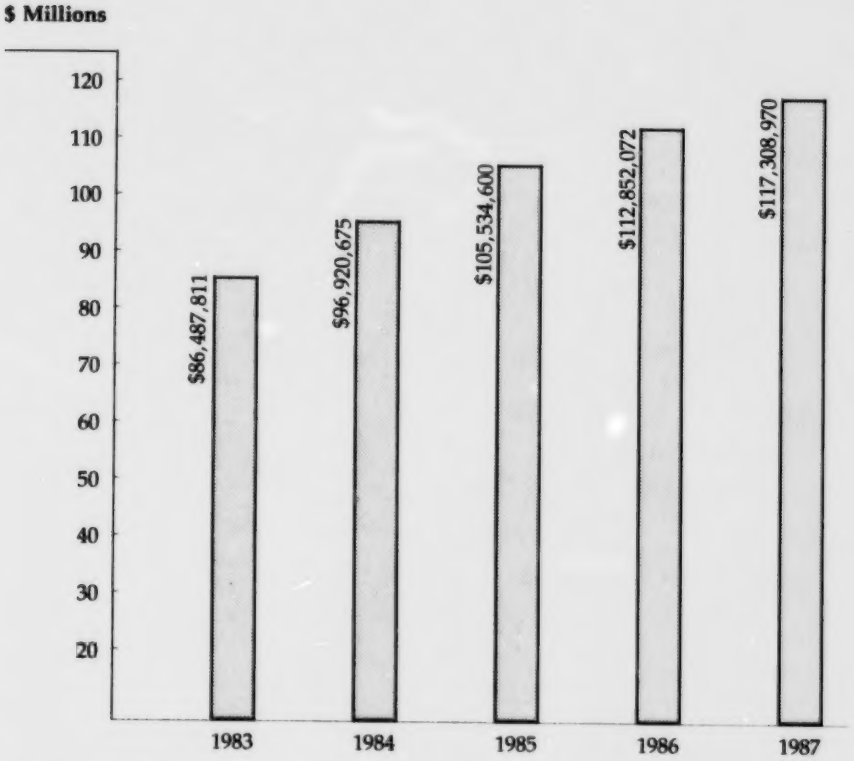
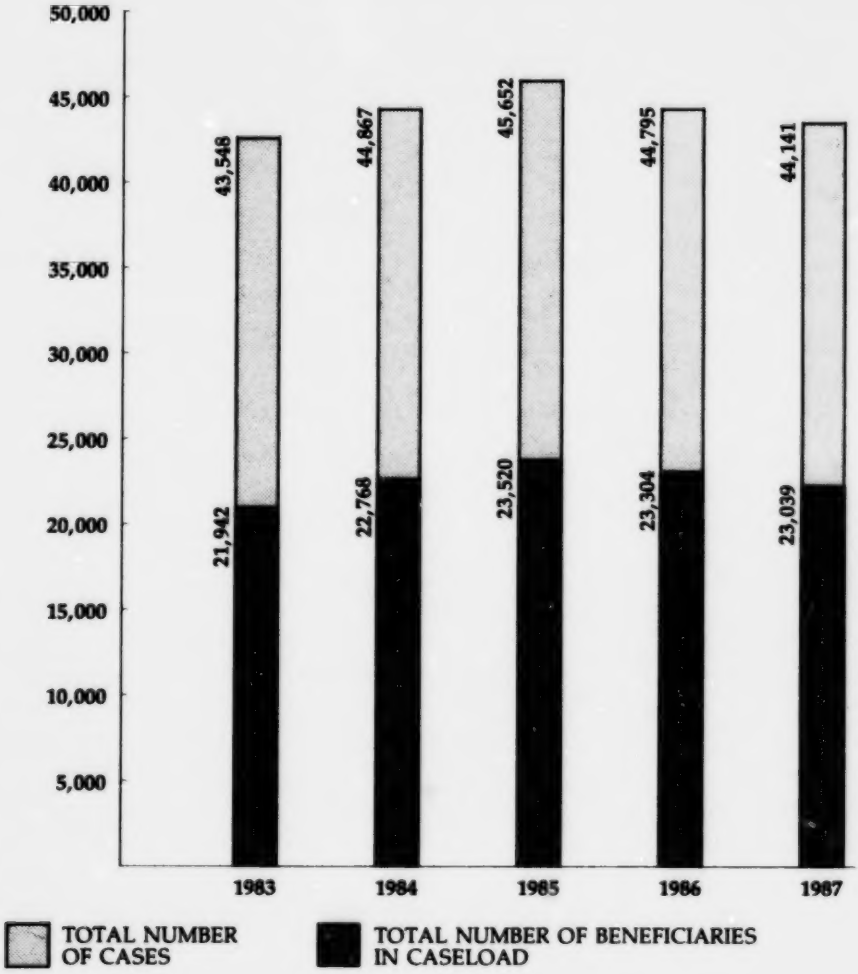


Chart 6

Family Benefits Recipients in Relation to Beneficiaries

1983–87



Social Services

Rehabilitation and Community Services Division

James A. MacIsaac, M.S.W., Administrator

The Rehabilitation and Community Services Division is comprised of the following sections:

- Rehabilitation and Community Services
- Services for the Mentally Handicapped
- Municipal Social Services
- Classifications and Assessments
- Adult Protection Services, and
- Dietetic Consultant Services.

The primary responsibility of this division is to see that a full range of rehabilitation services, financial income-maintenance programs, Homes for Special Care, community-based residential options, vocational workshops, adult protection services, dietetic consultation services and provincial facilities are provided for the socially, physically and/or mentally handicapped and for aged people.

The Division works with municipal authorities and community organizations in the orderly development, maintenance and

Staff of Rehabilitation and Community Services

co-ordination of social service programs. This involves the planning and monitoring of services, and includes setting standards, conducting program evaluations, consultation and inspection of facilities in carrying out regular assessments and classifications of clients, and investigations and assessments of cases referred under the Adult Protection Services legislation. These services are provided under the authority of the Social Assistance Act, the Homes for Special Care Act, the Federal-Provincial Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Agreement, Adult Protection Services and Dietetic Consultant Services. (Refer to Table 26.)

Rehabilitation and Community Services Section

Ronald L'Esperance, B.A., B.Ed., M.Ed., Director

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Adult Service Centres and Vocational Workshops

Several changes occurred in the facilities and programs of Adult Service Centres during fiscal 1986/87.

The Flower Cart, in New Minas, completed its renovations and expansion. It now has a storefront outlet for its bakery products. The Minister of Social Services officiated at the opening on November 11, 1986.

The BeeHive, in Aylesford, has incorporated Aylesford Industries and assumed responsibility for its continued operation. Aylesford Industries is involved in industrial sewing for specialized programs, hospitals and Homes for Special Care. The Board plans to locate the BeeHive and Aylesford Industries within one building during the coming year.

The Conway Workshop received a grant from the Department of Social Services and community support to construct an addition to its firewood operation.

The Queens Adult Service Centre has expanded its program to include shoe repair. Equipment has been purchased with assistance from the Department of Social Services.

The Community Workshop, in Antigonish, has replaced a lathe with assistance from the Department of Social Services.

J.O.B.S. Unlimited, in Truro, temporarily ceased operation in December 1986. With the co-operation of the Colchester Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded (CAMR), arrangements for an amalgamated service in the Colchester County area are nearing completion. The new service will operate under one board of directors, with two management committees. This is expected to occur early in 1987.

Existing programs in Adult Service Centres have remained constant or expanded with the fine leadership provided by staff and the boards of directors. Assistance was provided by the provincial departments of Social Services, Development, and Vocational and Technical Training and by the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission.

Total funding for Adult Service Centres in fiscal 1986/87 was $2,639,000.

Work Activity Projects

During fiscal 1986/87, three Work Activity Projects were operated under the aegis of the Department of Social Services: the Dartmouth Work Activity Project, the Halifax-based Options program, and the South Shore Work Activity Program located near Chester.

Work Activity Projects provide work adjustment training and skills development for persons who have difficulty in obtaining or remaining in competitive employment.

Planning is underway in two other areas of the province to develop additional work activity programs.

Total funding for Work Activity Projects in this fiscal year was $1.2 million.

Housing Programs

Norma Lloyd, Supervisor

Community Services workers, and Family Benefits workers for those areas where there are no Community Service workers, continue to provide assistance with housing repairs and the provision of new housing for Family Benefits recipients. Community Services workers also provide a variety of programs and services to low-income families.

The housing programs offered by the Department of Housing and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation are fully utilized to provide funds for repairs and new housing. Table 27 provides statistical information on the number of families being served, the type of programs being utilized and the costs involved.

A new program funded by the Department of Housing and the Department of Social Services is being delivered to Family Benefits recipients throughout the province and is expected to provide 200 housing units, either new houses or purchased existing housing. The Family Benefits shelter component is being utilized for the mortgage payment. Co-operation between the two Departments has been excellent.

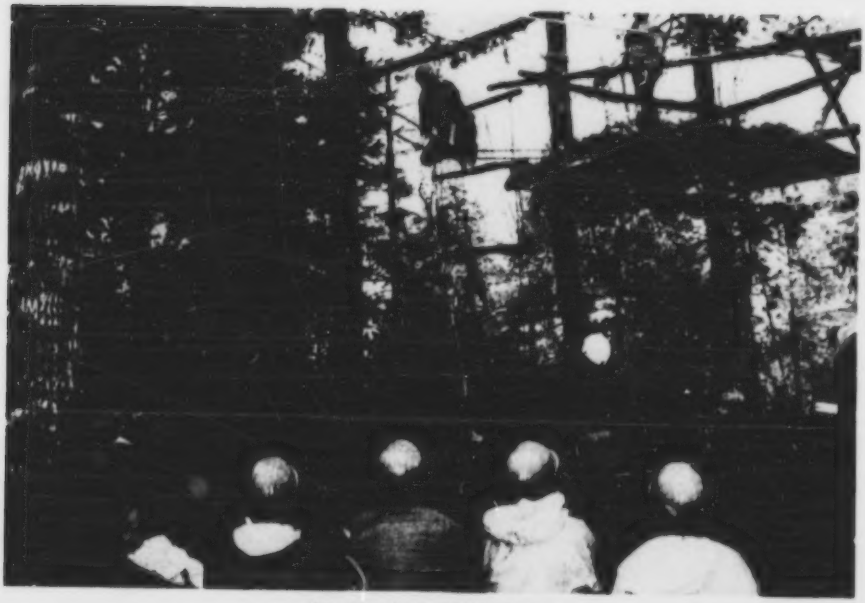
Special Projects

Norma Lloyd, Supervisor

Challenging positions were provided for high school and university students during the summer of 1986.

Day camps were operated for autistic children, children with special needs and children with emotional problems. Referrals were received from the IWK, the Atlantic Child Guidance Centre, the Nova Scotia Hospital's Children's Unit, Family and Children's Services of Eastern Nova Scotia, and the special services within the school system.

Residential camping programs were operated at Camp Hilles in West Paradise, Camp Canso in Canso, and Camp AiteBreagh in



Camp Counsellor, Staff Training Program

Orangedale, for children and adults for whom the Department of Social Services has partial or total responsibility.

The Counsellor-in-Training Program provided nine weeks of intensive training in skills required to be a camp counsellor to 16 young people, many of whom will return for future employment in our camping program or at other camps throughout the province.

In May, for the first time, a special seven-day training session on outdoor adventure programs was given to senior staff of both the residential and day camping programs, under the excellent leadership of Dave Comeau. The growth and change in the quality of the staff was noticeable and benefitted the programs throughout the summer.

Students were employed in the following areas during the summer of 1986:

Case aides/clerical	54
Employment Opportunities for Young Disabled	10
Residential camping	50
Day camps	48
Counsellors-in-Training	20
Total	182

Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Disabled Persons

John MacInnes, B.Sc., M.S.W., Consultant

Operated under the federal-provincial Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Act and Agreement (VRDP), this program provides vocational assessment and planning services to disabled persons throughout the province. The VRDP agreement establishes the definition of disability and financial commitment in which the two levels of government participate.

The staff of this vocational rehabilitation program work with the Department of Vocational and Technical Training and the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission (CEIC) to provide an individualized vocational plan for disabled people applying for service. Training for disabled individuals includes a range of options, from trades training to university education. Pre-vocational training and academic upgrading are provided when required.

Training allowances are paid to vocational rehabilitation clients attending a training program by the Department of Vocational and Technical Training or the CEIC. A medical or adaptive aid may be required to enable some disabled people to participate in a training program; the Department of Social Services supplies the funds to meet the cost of these devices.

Some disabled persons require a period of work assessment to determine their aptitudes and ability to work. In these cases a work-assessment program is arranged by a vocational rehabilitation counsellor in concert with an employer, who agrees to accept the disabled person in a work setting for two weeks to three months. During this period, factors such as work habits, ability to follow directions, initiative, attendance, and potential training and/or employment are assessed. Using this valuable information, the vocational rehabilitation counsellor, in conjunction with the client, can determine the best course of action for occupational or on-the-job training.

The primary objective of Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Disabled Persons is to enable disabled individuals to become gainfully employed following a period of assessment, counselling and training. As a result of its services, many disabled Nova Scotians are able to become employed and assume an independent lifestyle.

Career Planning with Single Parents

Paul Theriault, B.A., B.Ed., B.S.W., Consultant

The Rehabilitation and Community Services Division, in concert with the Family Benefits Division, provides vocational guidance and related services to single parents receiving Family Benefits. (See Table 28.)

The objectives of this program are two-fold: (1) to enable single parents to become gainfully employed on a part-time or full-time basis following a period of assessment, counselling and training or retraining, and (2) to enhance single parents' family-management and parenting skills.

The primary emphasis of the program is to enable single parents receiving Family Benefits to develop appropriate skills that will lead to employment so they may become financially independent.

The services provided under this program include vocational assessment, individual and group career-guidance and counselling, the development of an individualized career plan, assistance with training and employment placement, and referral services.

To offset the additional costs a single parent may incur while participating in an approved vocational training program, the Department of Social Services provides financial assistance to a maximum of $200 per month over and above the Family Benefits payment. This allowance may be used to cover actual costs in one or a combination of the following areas: course tuition in special circumstances, approved transportation costs, approved child-care expenses, items of special need (including clothing or other related expenses associated with one's participation in training) and/or a job-search allowance.

Services for the Mentally Handicapped

J. Ross Thorpe, B.Ed., M.A., Director

This Section is concerned with the delivery of residential services and the development and co-ordination of other programs appropriate to the needs of the mentally handicapped. Mentally handicapped people include those who are intellectually or developmentally impaired and those who are functionally disabled as a result of mental illness or long-term institutionalization. The services delivered come under two categories:

- services directly financed and managed by the Department (i.e., Children's Training Centres, Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre, a Foster Home Program for Mentally Handicapped Children, and an In-Home Support Program.)
- services of organizations that operate with the guidance of the Department and whose operating costs are cost-shared by the province (i.e., Adult Residential Centres, Community Residences, Palmeter's Country Nursing Home, Regional Rehabilitation Centres, and the In-Home Support Program.)

The Department works closely with voluntary organizations and municipalities to develop more comprehensive systems of service delivery so each mentally handicapped person may become as fully integrated into the community as his or her disability will allow.

Long-range planning committees were established in collaboration with municipalities in the metro area and in industrial Cape Breton in fiscal 1986/87 to identify long-range residential and support service requirements over the next 20 years. Final reports are expected by December 1987.

It is hoped that future placement of mentally handicapped people in institutions will be limited to those individuals requiring a degree of programming supervision or care that cannot be provided in smaller, community residential situations.

Children's Services

William A. McCarron, B.A., M.S.W.
Co-ordinator of Services for the Mentally Handicapped

A mentally handicapping condition can range from very mild to very severe, and a mental handicap may be accompanied by one or more forms of physical disability, which also range in severity. Thus an array of services is required to meet the needs of children at various levels of functioning. This array of services also provides a progression through which a child can move. These services include:

- support and assistance to parents maintaining a severely handicapped child at home
- residential placement, education and training at the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre (see Table 29)
- foster home care

- personal care and training in a Children's Training Centre (see Table 30), and
- personal care and training in a Nursing Home.

Support and Assistance to Parents Maintaining a Handicapped Child at Home

The Department of Social Services operates a limited In-Home Support Program to provide financial assistance to parents maintaining a severely handicapped child at home in an effort to keep a family unit together. Financial assistance provided to the family under this program is aimed at the extraordinary costs incurred owing to the child's disability. Assistance can be provided towards the cost of such items as drugs, necessary supplies, transportation to and from medical appointments, respite care and special needs items.

Eligibility for inclusion in the In-Home Support Program is limited to those families whose children would qualify for placement in either a Children's Training Centre or a nursing home, and who qualify for all or part of the Child Tax Credit on their most recent income tax return. The amount of assistance is determined on an individual family basis, and the monthly maximum in any given situation is no more than $300. The program ends at the child's eighteenth birthday, or sooner if other program guidelines are not met.

Foster Home Care

This program provides a child with an alternate home setting on a temporary or permanent basis. A foster home placement is sometimes preferable to placing the child in an institutional facility. Most children placed in foster homes attend classes in local schools.

At the present time, a maximum of 15 children, ranging in age from six months to 18 years, can be accommodated in the Special Foster Care Program. The placement and supervision of the children in these special foster homes is supervised by a social service worker in consultation with local children's agencies.

The emphasis in this program is increasingly on helping children's agencies to arrange foster homes and on helping them to cope with the special needs of mentally handicapped children.

As of March 31, 1987, there were a total of 15 children in 12 active foster homes in the province. One child had been admitted to foster care during fiscal 1986/87.

Personal Care and Training in a Children's Training Centre

Children's Training Centres are residential training facilities that provide personal care and developmental training to severely mentally handicapped children who, for a variety of reasons, are unable to remain at home with their natural parents. At present, Children's Training Centres are located in Dartmouth, Digby, Pictou and Sydney.

The goal of the Children's Training Centre is to have these children learn basic life skills such as feeding, dressing, and toilet training so they can eventually return to their homes or to non-institutionalized settings. In pursuit of this goal, counselling staff at Children's Training Centres carry out individual programs for each child in residence, and an academic teacher on the staff of each centre provides modified academic classroom instruction to the children. Each child is encouraged to develop to the fullest extent of his or her abilities. A number of children in the Children's Training Centres have progressed to the point where they can now attend special education classes in the regular school system on a day basis while living at the Children's Training Centre.

When a child is admitted to a Children's Training Centre, his or her parent or legal guardian must sign a Voluntary Care Agreement under the Children's Services Act. Parents maintain legal custody of their child, and the Department of Social Services, through the Children's Training Centre, agrees to provide the child with care and training for one year. Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's training by participating in long-term goal setting and by maintaining frequent contact with their child by taking the child home on vacations and holidays and by visiting regularly. The Voluntary Care Agreement may be renewed as required.

The Children's Training Centres also offer a service called respite care to families who are maintaining a severely mentally handicapped child at home. The Children's Training Centre will take in such a child for a weekend, a week or some other short time period to give the family a break from the continual care the child demands.

All admissions to the Children's Training Centres, whether regular or respite, are screened by an admissions committee. This committee gathers all necessary information on each child seeking admission and decides which program placement is in the child's best interests. (Refer to Table 30.)

Personal Care and Training in a Nursing Home

This level of care is reserved for mentally handicapped children requiring nursing care, very heavy personal care, or both. As of March 31, 1987, 28 children resided in this setting. The emphasis in this unit is on nursing, personal care, and developmental training. As indicated earlier, a special unit has been established in the Sydney Children's Training Centre to provide this level of care to children from Cape Breton Island.

Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre

John A. Walker, M.S.W., Superintendent

The Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre is a provincial residential school operated by the Department of Social Services for mildly and moderately handicapped children. The school is located in Bible Hill, Colchester County.

The policy of the admissions committee is that, whenever possible, children should remain in their own homes and attend school in their local area. For social, educational and family reasons, it is not possible for some children to benefit from community programs; thus, the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre exists.

The primary purpose of the centre is to provide education and training so these children will be better prepared for life in the community. All programs are planned to help students develop intellectually, socially and emotionally so they can return to and participate in a community setting. The school program is greatly enhanced by programs and organizations in the nearby community. Students participate in community work programs, and in local clubs such as Sea Cadets, Air Cadets, Boys and Girls Clubs and the Y.M.C.A. They also participate in sports events in co-operation with local schools.

The centre is designed to accommodate 183 students. Its facilities include residences, a classroom complex, an indoor pool, a gymnasium, extensive playgrounds, and outdoor rinks. The centre operates during the school year and all students return to their communities for summer and Christmas vacations. Services are financed and directed by the Department of Social Services. (See Table 29.)

Adult Institutional Services

Miss Barbara Carbonell, R.N., P.G.,
Co-ordinator of Services for the Post-Mentally Ill

Adult institutional services for the mentally handicapped provide accommodation and programs for:

- individuals who have previously received treatment as psychiatric casualties, usually as in-patients of psychiatric facilities
- other mentally handicapped adults, many of whom have behaviour disorders, or
- people with degenerative disorders, including the aged, who have additional behaviour problems that make them unsuitable for other placement alternatives.

These services are provided in Regional Rehabilitation Centres and Adult Residential Centres.

Regional Rehabilitation Centres

Regional Rehabilitation Centres are situated in Waterville, Kings County, for the western region; Sydney River, Cape Breton County, for people from Cape Breton Island; and in Cole Harbour, Halifax County, for people from the rest of mainland Nova Scotia.

These centres are intended to provide the most intensive level of rehabilitation and developmental programming for people with the highest potential to move on to less-restrictive alternatives in the community. They have a level of staffing and expertise necessary to respond to people whose disordered behaviour represents a severe management problem.

Regional Rehabilitation Centres are operated by local levels of government under the provisions of the Homes for Special Care Act and are cost-shared 100% by the Department. Centres have a total current capacity of 379 people (see Table 31).

Adult Residential Centres

Adult Residential Centres are situated at Sydney River, Mabou, Riverton, Pugwash, Beaverbank, Barrington, Yarmouth, Dayspring and

Bridgetown. They serve a second level of needs: the needs of individuals who are mentally handicapped and require more stable, longer-term living environments. Rehabilitation training and developmental programming form a significant but less intensive part of their services.

Adult Residential Centres seek close relationships with their neighbourhood communities and services (e.g., dentists, clinics, library services, sheltered workshops, and job-experience training). In many cases these people and facilities are closely involved with local branches of advocacy organizations working for the mentally handicapped and play a major role in developing public awareness of the needs of the mentally handicapped.

Adult Residential Centres can currently accommodate 777 mentally handicapped people and are operated by various municipalities, municipal corporations or private corporations. The Department cost-shares with municipalities towards the subsidized costs of these services.

The period 1986-87 was one of intensive planning related to replacement facilities in Annapolis and Cape Breton counties. Construction of a new, 33-bed Adult Residential Centre in Annapolis to replace the existing facility is underway. This new facility is expected to be completed in May 1987. In conjunction with this facility, a supervised home in Bridgetown consisting of three apartments is under construction. It will accommodate eight individuals from the existing Adult Residential Centre who require community integrative training. The opening date of these residences will coincide with that of the new Adult Residential Centre. In keeping with the philosophy of deinstitutionalization, an overall reduction of 31 institutionally based beds in Annapolis County will be realized.

The Cape Breton Region has been active over the last year in planning for community-based options for 45 individuals who had previously resided in the Gardiner Centre. Closure of this Adult Residential Centre was realized in December 1986, creating a reduction of 45 institutional beds.

Community Residential Services

Andre McConnell, B.A., M.S.W., Co-ordinator

Since 1969, when the first Group Home opened, the number of specialized community residences for mentally handicapped and

physically disabled adults has grown to 36, with one residence now in the planning stage. The breakdown is as follows:

In operation—

Group Homes for mentally handicapped persons	19
Developmental residences for mentally handicapped persons	10
Group Homes for mentally disabled persons	6
Group Homes for physically disabled persons	1
Total	36

Planning stage—

Group Homes for mentally handicapped persons	1
Total	1

These are all small residential facilities. Most were family homes renovated to accommodate 6-12 residents. Programs vary according to the needs of the residents. All stress development of the basic life and community-integration skills necessary to help the individual to eventually live as independently as possible.

The 36 homes provide a total of 149 licensed spaces for mildly to moderately mentally handicapped persons, 77 moderately to severely mentally handicapped persons, 58 mentally disabled persons and 6 physically disabled persons. Residents normally work or take part in vocational and educational programs during the day. They are encouraged to use available community services and recreational facilities whenever possible. Funding is shared by the municipal, provincial and federal levels of government.

A variety of community residential alternatives to institutional care continue to become available. In many parts of the province, apartment living arrangements are another option—two or more people share an apartment, with either live-in or drop-in supervision.

Community training homes operating in Kings and Digby counties are another alternative. They provide an opportunity for individuals to live in households in the community with private citizens. The surrogate parents (residential associates) are screened, trained and supervised by professional staff. The focus is on self-help skills and social adjustment for severely mentally handicapped individuals.

Supported living arrangements are now in operation in the Halifax metropolitan area, Kings County and Sydney. This option has been

developed to provide housing and programs for . p to three moderately to severely handicapped individuals in rented units in the community (e.g., house, flat, duplex). Most of the persons living in this type of situation had previously been living in developmental residences. Trained staff are provided through a combination of live-in and shift models. This program will continue to expand during 1987-88.

Many mentally handicapped adults are also accommodated in residential care facilities and foster homes under the auspices of municipal governments.

With the expansion of residential services during 1986-87, the number of boards operating more than one home or alternate residential service has expanded from five to seven.

The pilot project for the provision of respite care that began in January 1981 became an established program in July 1982. The main objective of this program is to provide occasional respite care for individuals living in the community and is intended to be utilized for emergencies, vacations and short breaks for the primary care provider. Except in extenuating circumstances, 30 days is recommended as the maximum annual stay for one person.

There is one Group Home for physically disabled adults, located in Halifax. This home provides living accommodations for six physically handicapped adults and is staffed on a full-time basis. The focus is to provide as independent a lifestyle as possible for each resident. Residents are expected to share the responsibilities of running the home, and most plan to upgrade their education with the ultimate goal of employment. Through the experiences gained from living in the home, many individuals have moved on to less-structured settings in the community.

Late in 1986, and in 1987, two new Group Homes, one developmental residence and two supported living arrangements became operational in Cape Breton, accommodating many of the residents who moved from the Gardiner Centre, which closed in December 1986.

Plans are being made for the establishment of a Group Home for mentally handicapped adults at Church Point, Digby County. This home should become operational late in 1987.

Two proposals for additional community residences from communities in the western region of the province remain under consideration.

Municipal Social Services

Peter G. Barteaux, Director

The provincial Social Assistance Act (Part II) authorizes the municipal level of government to provide financial assistance on a cost-shared basis to people in need for a short time or to those who require supplementation because their income is insufficient to meet their most basic needs.

A needs test is used to determine initial and ongoing eligibility and the amount of assistance required. Assistance payments are calculated by totalling the costs of items such as food, clothing, shelter, fuel, utilities, household supplies and personal requirements, and deducting from the total any financial resources which the municipality considers available for current maintenance. Items of special need may also be included (e.g., drugs).

The Act provides for the payment of maintenance costs on behalf of people in Homes for Special Care.

Each municipality must submit its policy on social assistance once a year, on September 15. Policy statements must fall within the minimum requirements as stated in the Social Assistance Act and Regulations and provincial policies, and must have the approval of the Minister of Social Services. Each municipality establishes its own level of assistance on an ongoing basis and may grant emergency assistance to cover urgent and immediate needs.

The Social Assistance Act provides for the sharing of general assistance costs at a minimum of 75%, up to their approved budget, for all municipalities having municipal social service departments approved by the Minister of Social Services. Provincial cost-sharing exceeds 75% in those units where the fiscal need is greater than the 75% minimum. Administration costs are also shared on the basis of this formula. (Refer to Tables 32 and 33 and Chart 7).

Homes for Special Care

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Special-care facilities throughout Nova Scotia provide supervisory and/or personal care for disabled and elderly Nova Scotians who are unable to live independently in the community. Homes for Special Care include 38 Homes for the Aged (3,596 beds), 21 Nursing Homes

(1,738 beds), 63 Residential Care Facilities (1,101 beds), 11 Adult Residential Centres (766 beds and 27 specialized beds), 35 community-based residential facilities (282 beds) and three Regional Rehabilitation Centres (379 beds), for a total of 7,889 residents. (See Tables 31, 34 and 35 and Chart 8.)

All persons admitted to Homes for Special Care who require public funds for care are classified through the provincial Classifications Committee, chaired by the Supervisor of Classifications and Assessments. (The composition and duties of this committee are further described under Classifications and Assessments.)

The admissions procedure includes an application for social assistance, a budget sheet, a social service worker's report, and a medical report to be completed by the applicant's personal physician. The completed social service worker's report and the medical report are submitted by the Municipal Social Services worker to the Department of Social Services for consideration. If the application is approved, the person may then be placed in an appropriate facility with the assurance that maintenance costs will be shared. When the application for admission to Homes for Special Care is not approved, there are provisions for an appeal.

All facilities providing care and supervision for four or more residents are licensed under the provisions of the Homes for Special Care Act and Regulations. Standards are ensured in Homes for Special Care by inspections from provincial Social Services staff.

The functions of licensing inspections and monitoring standards in Homes for Special Care were decentralized in 1987. There is now one field assessment officer located in New Glasgow to cover the North Shore Region, and one in Kentville to cover the Central and Western regions. These persons are provincial Social Services employees who have been located in field offices.

Provincial staff responsible for inspections and program development have expertise in nursing care, dietetic services and the psycho-social needs of the residents. Special consultants from the Department of Housing and the Fire Marshal's Office are available to advise the Department of Social Services on technical matters relating to the construction and renovation of the Homes.

The procedure of per diem rate-setting has been decentralized and is no longer the responsibility of the Rate Review Committee. All per diem rates in Homes for Special Care are now negotiated by the Home operator with the Regional Tripartite Committee. The membership of the Tripartite Committee consists of a member from the Nova Scotia

Union of Municipalities, the Associated Homes for Special Care, and the Department of Social Services. The agreed-upon rate is then circulated to all municipalities as the per diem rate for provincial cost-sharing purposes. The rate is then a condition of licensing for the year. If this procedure is not followed and no budget is submitted by the Home, the previous rate remains in effect.

The Department conducts education seminars regionally for staff of the Homes. The philosophy underlying these seminars is that of total care for residents, using resources within the Home and the community to provide opportunities for residents to function to their fullest capacity.

The provincial government cost-shares with the municipalities at two thirds of net costs, up to their approved budget, for people maintained in licensed Homes for Special Care (refer to Chart 8).

A municipality, or two or more municipalities, may construct and operate homes under the provisions of the Homes for Special Care Act. The actual responsibility for their administration then rests with the local municipalities within the provisions of the Municipal Housing Corporation Act. Their by-laws must be approved by the Ministers of Social Services and Municipal Affairs.

All municipalities operating Homes for Special Care must appoint boards of management as stipulated by legislation.

During fiscal 1986/87, considerable activity in the development of new Homes for Special Care and in the renovation of existing facilities took place:

- Wolfville Nursing Home opened a 24-bed extension
- Chemoi, an 8-bed Group Home, opened in Cheticamp
- Waycobah, a five-bed Group Home, opened in Orangedale
- Victoria Manor, a 12-bed Residential Care Facility, opened in Amherst
- Wallasey Place, a nine-bed Residential Care Facility, opened in Upper Clements
- Abide-A-While, an eight-bed Residential Care Facility, opened in Shelburne
- Pleasant Rest Home, Bridgewater, opened a five-bed addition
- Annapolis County Adult Residential Centre, a new 35-bed replacement facility, opened
- a 50-bed replacement for Hazel Hill Home is under construction
- a 50-bed Nursing Home in Granville Ferry is nearing completion
- Melville Ridge, a 100-bed Nursing Home, is nearing completion
- an 18-bed extension for Grandview Manor has been approved

- a 15-bed Home for the Aged for Canso has been approved
- consideration is being given to a 58-bed Nursing Home in Port Hawkesbury
- approval has been given for the construction of a 35-bed Nursing Home in Valley, Colchester County
- major renovations have been approved for St. Vincent's Guest Home and Glades Lodge, and
- minor renovations have been approved at other facilities.

Classifications and Assessments

Malcolm R. McFarlane, Ph.D., Supervisor

The Classifications and Assessments Section ensures that policies and procedures are developed and implemented for classifications, assessments, admissions, readmissions and discharges relating to adult facilities licensed under the Homes for Special Care Act. It is also responsible for ensuring that, where appropriate, all applications for admission and readmission to these facilities are properly classified, and that regular reassessments of residents are conducted by Section staff and community health nurses.

For fiscal 1986/87, some 3,160 applications were received requesting classifications for admission or readmission to Homes for Special Care and/or reclassifications within the Homes. Thirty-four of these applications were cancelled; 82 applications were not approved, of which 32 were appealed and 14 appeals were granted. The number of applications received during the previous fiscal year was 3,491, and for 1984-85 it was 3,819.

The two largest referral sources of the 3,160 applications approved or reapproved were hospitals and applicants' homes. Thus 1,435, or approximately 47%, originated from general hospitals. An additional 285 referrals from in-patient psychiatric facilities created a total of 1,720, or approximately 57% of all applications approved or reapproved from all hospitals. Nine hundred thirty applications, or approximately 30%, were approved or reapproved from individual homes. Table 35 provides a further statistical breakdown of the sources of referrals and the types of approvals.

A companion approach to classifications is the reassessment of residents in Homes for Special Care. In this regard the community health nurses of the Department of Health assist in the reassessment of

residents in licensed Nursing Homes and Homes for the Aged. These reassessments are conducted twice each year, usually in May/June and December/January. Approximately 5,300 residents are reassessed each year. The information obtained from the reassessments is used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether residents are continuing to receive the required type of care, and whether cost-sharing for residents and staffing patterns for the respective Homes must be revised in accordance with changes in care requirements.

The Section is also charged with determining the eligibility of applicants seeking admission to the Home Life Supports Program. This program is intended to meet the needs of senior citizens or disabled persons requiring full- or part-time care so they can remain in their own homes and communities. These individuals would otherwise require placement in Homes for Special Care. During fiscal 1986/87, 270 applications were received, assessed and found eligible. The total number of applications for the previous fiscal year was 287.

An integral part of the Section's mandate is to co-ordinate all information (social histories; psychological, educational and medical assessments; etc.) related to applications for admission to the programs for mentally handicapped children. This involves preparing the necessary documentation for the Admissions Committee and implementing the committee's decisions. There were approximately 69 applications for admission to the Retarded Children's Program during the fiscal year.

During the latter part of the fiscal year the function of classifications was decentralised in accordance with one of the recommendations of the Task Force on Homes for Special Care. There are now four field assessment officers located in Halifax, Sydney, New Glasgow and Kentville. These officers are responsible for classifying in their respective geographical areas all applications from the local general hospitals requesting admission to Homes for Special Care. The Section has already implemented changes in the readmission procedures to Homes by placing the responsibility for approval and placement on the local general hospitals, municipalities of settlement, and Homes for Special Care. Both changes facilitate patient classification and the placement of patients in general hospitals to Homes for Special Care.

Ms. Trish Miller, Secretary, *Adult Protection Services*

Adult Protection Services

Nancy Cochrane, M.S.W., Co-ordinator

Adult Protection Services has completed the first year of implementing adult protection legislation within Nova Scotia.

Three adult protection workers have been hired and operate out of the regional offices in Sydney, Halifax and Kentville. In addition, approximately 55 Department of Social Services staff have been designated to carry out specific duties under this legislation.

From April 1, 1986, to March 31, 1987, 376 referrals were received across the province. The majority of referrals dealt with females over the age of 65 who were living in situations of suspected self-neglect.

In November 1986 a symposium on the Adult Protection Act was held in Sydney. The Co-ordinator and staff have also met with various groups and organizations province-wide to enhance the public's knowledge of the legislation.

Training seminars are being planned for staff and designates in the coming year, and more emphasis will be placed on public awareness of the legislation.

Dietetic Consultant Services

Fran Sutherland, M.Ed., P.Dt., Co-ordinator

The annual assembly of the "Food Service Director, Dietitians and Supervisors from Special Care Facilities" was held September 21-22, 1987, in Halifax. Topics on the program included "Assistive Devices," "Assessment of Eating Skills," "Computers in Food Services Long Term Care," and "Food Management."

During 1986-87, some 31 food service workers registered and/or graduated from the Associated Homes for Special Care and the Department of Social Services' Food Service Workers Program.

The Annual Cooks Workshop for day care and special care facilities cooks was held at the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre in Truro. Twenty-six cooks attended and received certificates from the Nova Scotia Institute of Technology Department of Continuing Education. In a follow-up to the cooks workshop, a number of cooks have obtained certification to journeyman status through the Nova Scotia Institute of Technology, and others continue in its program.

The *Management of Food Services Special Care Facilities Manual* has been distributed and reviewed in all six regions of the province. It will be reviewed on an annual basis.

The *Meals on Wheels/Wheels to Meals Directory* was updated and circulated to municipalities, special care facilities, senior councils, hospitals, regional administrators and district supervisors. The number and variety of programs continues to develop and increase. The luncheon program for seniors in the City of Halifax was expanded during the past year.

The Environmental Services Supervisors Program 1987 began in May 1987. Certificates will be presented to successful candidates in September 1987. Eight students representing all regions of the province are participating in the program. The program includes supervisors of laundry, housekeeping and maintenance.

Direct services continue to be provided to the four Children's Training Centres, the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre, the Shelburne Youth Centre and the Nova Scotia Residential Centre in developing the management of food services and menu planning.

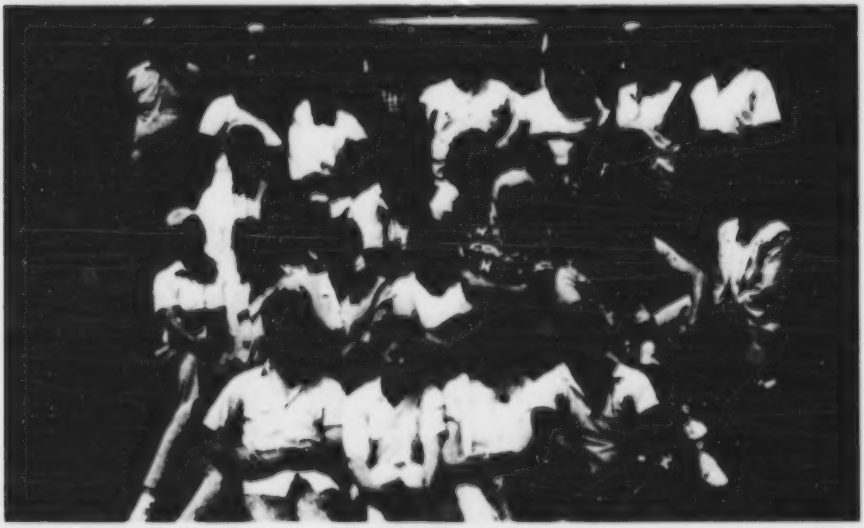
The "Food Service Cost Survey" was conducted twice in 1987. The facilities were grouped according to type, and a summary was forwarded to each of the participating special-care facilities.

A resource kit provided by the Nutrition Committee of the Nova Scotia Dietetic Association was provided to all facilities without the services of a professional dietitian, to assist in instituting March as Nutrition Month in Nova Scotia.

The 1987 draft of the *Nutrition Care Manual for Long Term Care* has been circulated to all facilities. This has been prepared in co-operation with the other Atlantic Provinces' dietetic consultants and committees. The Nova Scotia Committee consisted of dietitians, supervisors and cooks from all regions of the province and all types of facilities. The manual will be reviewed in December 1987.

Meetings continue twice yearly with dietetic consultants from Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick.

A symposium on "Nutrition and Aging" was developed and presented with the support of the Dairy Bureau of Canada, the Nova Scotia Dietetic Association, the Nova Scotia Medical Association, the Gerontology Association of Nova Scotia and Mount Saint Vincent Universi[illegible].



Cook's Workshop 1987

Evaluation and goal-setting continued with food service departments in special-care facilities. Renovations and updates continued at the facilities. Work on construction meetings for special-care facilities also continued throughout the year.

Food service staffing was upgraded to standard with the addition of dietitians to the staff of a number of Homes for Special Care.

Table 26

Sources and Types of Rehabilitation Cases Referred

1986-87

Amputations	16
Spinal cord injuries	49
Arthritis, rheumatism	37
Bone impairment	89
Cerebral palsy	22
Auditory	33
Visual	27
Alcohol and drug abuse	19
Neurological, epilepsy, polio	55
Respiratory	15
Cardiovascular	27
Mental deficiency	101
Mental illness or disorder	95
Miscellaneous	88
Total new cases referred	481
Total cases carried over	961
Total cases	1,442

Services Provided	Number	Cost
Assessment: medical and vocational	438	$ 26,450
Technical aids	82	31,438
Special training costs	34	2,600
Family Benefits/Rehabilitation fund	58	40,000
Department of Vocational & Technical Training — Disabled persons training	347	981,154
Clients approved for training:		
Recommended	441	
Approved	349	
Entered	261	
Discontinued	61	
Completed	104	
Information from 628 cases closed:		
Number of cases closed — rehabilitated	374	
Number of cases closed — not rehabilitated	254	
Average age	26	
Average education (grade)	8	
Number receiving Family Benefits or municipal assistance	543	
Field office and collateral counselling interviews	1,034	

Table 27

Housing Statistics

January 1, 1986 - December 31, 1986

Family Benefits housing repair cases finalized	329
$ Value	$1,218,592
New units built under rural and Native housing program	10
$ Value	$563,457
Units repaired under RRAP Housing Program	75
$ Value	$360,142
Units repaired under NSHC's Small Loans Program	81
$ Value	$330,203
Units receiving assistance under Housing Commission Access-a-Home Program	6
$ Value	$67,000
Units built or purchased under Family Benefits Housing Program	5
$ Value	$163,569
Rental units under Family Benefits Housing Program	10
$ Value (Cost to Department of Housing — payments by recipients are $311 monthly)	$480,000

Table 28

Career Planning with Single Parents

May 30, 1987

Region	Caseload
Western Region	96
Central Region	102
Halifax Region	296
North Shore Region	137
Cape Breton Region	197
Total	828

Table 29

Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre

1. Children in school, April 1, 1986	Girls	Boys	Total
	48	101	149

2. Admissions during year	Girls	Boys	Total
(a) As wards of C.A.S./Fam. & Ch.'s Servs.	1	3	4
(b) As wards of director	0	0	0
(c) As non-wards	9	18	27
			31

3. Discharges during year	Girls	Boys	Total
(a) To own home	10	13	23
(b) Group Home	0	1	1
(c) Foster home	2	3	5
(d) Institution	2	1	3
(e) Supervised apartment	0	0	0
(f) Boarding home	0	0	0
			32

4. Children in school, March 31, 1987	Girls	Boys	Total
	44	104	148

5. Total days care to all children	
	45,060

6. Classification of admission (4) by ages

Age	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18		Total
Girls	—	1	2	3	—	1	3	—	—		10
Boys	3	4	3	6	1	2	1	1	—		21
											31

7. Classification of discharges (3) by ages

Age	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Total
Girls	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	2	8	—	14
Boys	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	5	8	2	18
											32

8. Classification of admissions (2) by I.Q.

I.Q.	25/29	30/35	36/40	41/45	46/50	51/55	56/60	61/65	66/70	71/75	76/80	Total
Girls	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	2	2	2	—	10
Boys	—	1	—	6	3	—	2	2	3	3	1	21
												31

9. Classification of children in school (4) by I.Q.

I.Q.	25/29	30/35	36/40	41/45	46/50	51/55	56/60	61/65	66/70	71/75	76/80	Total
Girls	2	5	5	8	3	6	2	5	5	3	—	44
Boys	8	10	9	14	7	14	7	13	16	4	2	104
												148

10. **Classification of children (4) by ages**

Age	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Total
Girls	—	—	1	3	5	5	10	10	7	3	0	44
Boys	—	3	6	15	10	16	15	18	16	5	—	104
												148

11. **Total cost of operation** (excluding capital expenditures and maintenance of buildings and including adjustment for rents, meals and inventory adjustments): $3,690,727.37

12. **Number of child care days, 1986-87** 45,060

13. **Per diem rate** $81.90

Table 30

Statistics for Children's Training Centres

April 1, 1986 - March 31, 1987

	Dartmouth	Digby	Pictou	Sydney	Total
Admissions	3	2	1	9	15
Respite care	15	3	13	9	40
Discharges:					
To own home	1	0	0	1	2
Foster home	0	0	0	0	0
Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre	0	0	0	0	0
Palmeter's Nursing Care Unit	0	0	0	0	0
N.S.Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Deceased	0	0	0	0	0
Transferred	1	0	1	0	2
Adult facility	3	1	4	1	9
Other	0	0	0	0	0
Group Homes	0	0	0	0	0
Regional Rehabilitation Centre	0	2	0	0	2
Total Discharges	5	3	5	2	15

Table 31

Statistics for Regional Rehabilitation Centres

April 1 1986 - March 31, 1987

	Totals
Total in residence as of April 1, 1986	360
Total admissions, April 1, 1985-March 31, 1987	177
Discharges, April 1, 1986-March 31, 1987, to:	
Other Regional Rehabilitation Centres	4
Adult Residential Centres	14
Group Homes and Developmental Residences	13
Homes for Aged and Licensed Nursing Homes	10
Residential Care Facilities	19
In care of their family	11
Independent living	47
Hospitals	49
Died	12
Correctional centre	2
Drug and alcohol rehabilitation	1
Other	3
Total discharges April 1, 1986-March 31, 1987	185
Total in residence as of March 31, 1987	352
Total resident days	129,469

Table 32

Muncipal Assistance Payments Under the Social Assistance Act

Year	General Assistance	Private Operated Homes for Special Care	Municipally Operated Homes for the Aged	Municipally and Privately Operated Adult Residential Centres
1978-79	$13,130,867.28	$ 9,977,770.73	$11,286,056.02	$ 5,245,969.38
1979-80	14,956,068.43	10,218,080.96	14,077,024.43	5,918,575.22
1980-81	17,272,991,41	11,479,548.94	16,276,877.34	6,710,022.94
1981-82	19,614,346.56	13,587,760.78	18,660,820.79	7,485,568.87
1982-83	23,337,681.71	16,130,856.53	22,409,294.37	8,937,622.55
1983-84	25,605,816.40	17,290,294.31	25,201,771.85	9,492,993.24
1984-85	30,597,241.00	18,958,534.46	27,401,958.20	10,330,072.31
1985-86	35,901,905.00	20,398,549.29	28,896,729.27	11,035,494.32
1986-87	41,856,212.00	23,377,395.17	31,138,243.16	11,516,044.49

Table 33

Municipal Social Services Costs*

Item	Gross Municipal Expenditure	Federal and Provincial Share	Net Municipal Expenditure
Administration	$ 9,106,226.00	$ 6,645,646.00	$ 2,460,580.00
Assistance payments by municipal units to people for basic and special requirements	41,856,212.00	30,332,248.00	11,523,964.00
Maintenance of people in municipally operated Homes for the Aged	31,138,243.16	18,750,487.00	12,387,756.16
Nursing Homes	16,636,688.29	19,102,129.00	6,534,559.29
Maintenance of people in privately operated Residential Care Facilities	3,060,018.79	1,881,886.00	1,178,132.79
Maintenance of people in municipally and privately operated Adult Residential Centres	11,516,044.49	6,947,323.00	4,568,721.49
Maintenance of people in privately operated Group and developmental homes	3,680,688.09	2,256,474.00	1,424,214.09

*All figures are for the period April 1, 1986 - March 31, 1987 except for Administration, which covers the period January 1, 1986 - December 31, 1986.

Table 34

Homes for Special Care
Bed Statistics

1986–87

County	Residential Care Facilities	
	Number	Beds
Annapolis	6	54
Antigonish	1	40
Cape Breton	9	122
Colchester	6	151
Cumberland	7	152
Digby	2	33
Guysborough	0	0
Halifax	11	212
Hants	3	29
Inverness	2	20
Kings	6	131
Lunenburg	2	31
Pictou	2	52
Queens	1	28
Richmond	2	20
Shelburne	2	20
Victoria	0	0
Yarmouth	1	6
Total	63	1,101

Nursing Homes		Homes for the Aged		Total	
Number	Beds	Number	Beds	Facilities	Beds
2	57	1	106	9	217
0	0	1	106	2	146
3	361	4	349	16	832
2	166	1	51	9	368
2	131	1	65	10	348
0	0	2	152	4	185
1	30	1	41	2	71
5	648	6	1,104	22	1,964
0	0	3	255	6	284
0	0	2	120	4	140
2	163	1	100	9	394
1	35	4	288	7	354
0	0	4	443	6	495
1	42	1	60	3	130
0	0	2	99	4	119
1	26	1	65	4	111
0	0	2	89	2	89
1	79	1	103	3	188
21	1,738	38	3,596	122	6,435

Table 35

Persons Approved To and From Homes for Special Care

April 1, 1986 - March 31, 1987

	Licensed Nursing Homes	Homes for the Aged I: Supervisory and Personal Care	Homes for the Aged II: Intensive Personal Care	Residential Care Facilities	Regional Rehabilitation Centres	Adult Residential Centres	Group Homes	Developmental Residences	Foster Homes	Total
Approved From										
Own home	9	385	295	141	27	20	44	6	–	927
General hospitals	29	387	837	83	39	44	13	2	–	1,434
Nova Scotia Hospital	1	21	24	66	56	27	7	–	–	202
Other psychiatric facilities	–	8	8	16	33	10	7	–	–	82
Homes for the Aged	–	66	72	5	3	1	–	–	–	147
Licensed Nursing Homes	7	11	19	1	2	–	–	1	–	41
Residential care facilities	1	8	12	34	1	4	1	–	–	61
Regional Rehabilitation Centres	–	1	3	5	–	16	9	5	–	39
Adult Residential Centres	–	10	6	3	14	4	12	4	–	53
Developmental residences	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
Group Homes	–	–	1	1	2	–	3	–	–	7
Foster homes	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre	–	–	–	–	3	1	–	–	–	4
Children's Training Centres	–	–	–	–	2	4	–	5	–	11
Other	5	5	8	1	11	1	2	–	–	33
Totals	52	902	1,285	356	193	132	98	23	–	3,041

Chart 7

Municipal Assistant to Persons in Need

1978/79 - 1985/86

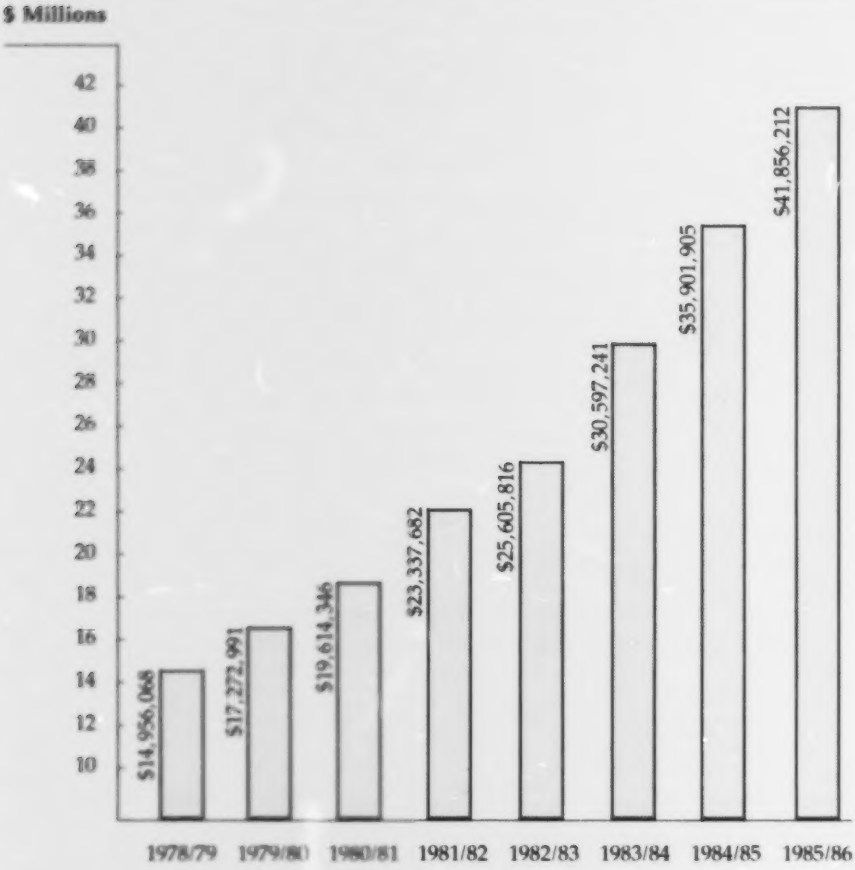
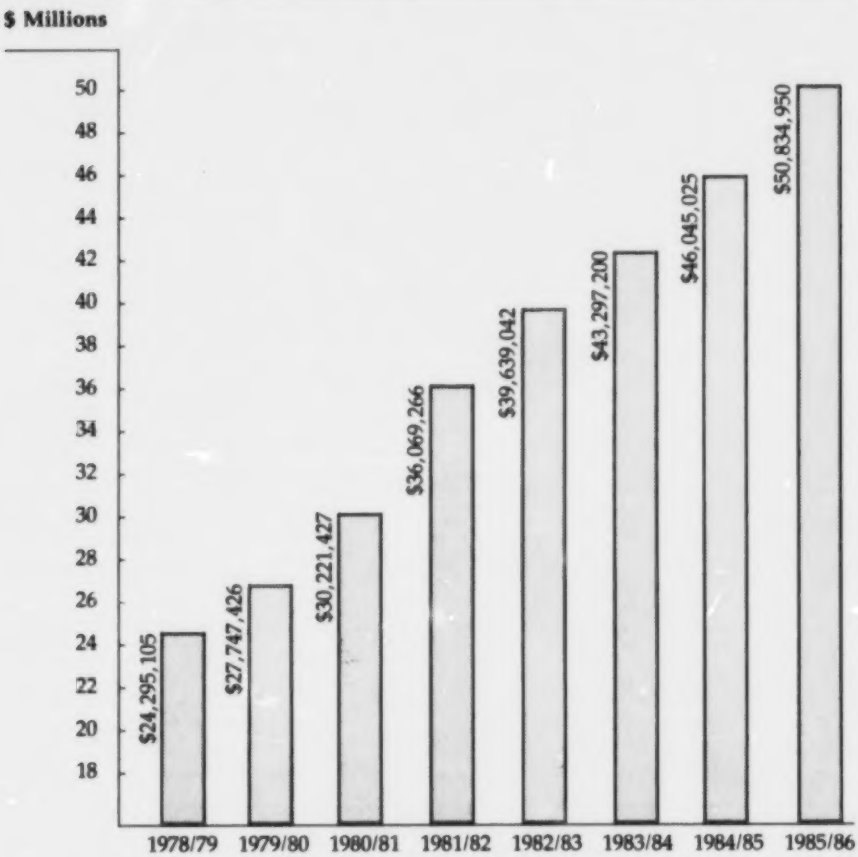


Chart 8

Homes for Special Care
(Nursing, Residential Care Facilities and Homes for the Aged)

1978/79 - 1985/86



NOTE: Adult Residential Centres, Group Homes and developmental residences are not included in these figures. In 1983/84, cost-sharing with municipalities began on a fiscal year basis, April 1 to March 31.

Social Services

Policy, Planning and Research Division

Bessie Harris, M.S.W., Director

The Policy, Planning and Research Division offers a number of support services to the other six divisions of the Department and provides direct services in specific areas such as Indian Affairs. It is divided into seven sections:

- Policy, Planning and Research
- Social Services Training Programs
- Staff Training
- Library
- Information Services
- Management Information Systems, and
- Indian Affairs.

Policy, Planning and Research Section

Elizabeth McNaughton, M.S.W., M.A.,
Senior Research and Planning Officer

Staff of Policy, Planning and Research Division

This section has responsibilities in five major areas:

- federal-provincial matters, including cost-sharing
- program design and implementation
- policy analysis
- program evaluation, and
- research.

In fiscal 1986/87, staff were heavily involved in federal-provincial matters. Negotiations relating to the Young Offenders Act, the Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Agreement, the Canada Pension Plan and the Canada Assistance Plan continued. Staff participated in numerous federal-provincial meetings and chaired or were involved as members of committees in studies such as the "Review of Fiscal Arrangements Affecting Persons with Disabilities." Discussions with the federal government were conducted in two areas: the agreement on the employability of social assistance recipients, and child care. The Division also provided background information for the submission on Bill C-15 (child abuse) made by the Minister to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee of the Senate.

Three programs were evaluated during the year:

- the media campaign on wife battering
- the Vocational Rehabilitation Program for Single Parents, and
- the Winter Employment Program.

Evaluations of the Home Life Supports Program and the Adult Protection Service continue, while an evaluation of the Homes for Independent Living (HIL) Home Support Program is in the planning stage. In co-operation with federal officials, staff continue to supervise and monitor the evaluation of the young offender community development projects being completed by a consultant.

The detailed design of a major research project, which is a follow-up to "Vulnerable Mothers, Vulnerable Children," a study published in 1981, was completed on a contract basis by the Institute for the Study of Women at Mount Saint Vincent University in co-operation with an advisory committee of professionals. The proposal was submitted to Health and Welfare Canada for consideration, and funding was approved in 1987.

Staff participated in many interdepartmental endeavours such as the Committee of Officials Examining Home Care, the Interdepartmental Committee on the Status of Women, the Committee on the Program for Older Worker Adjustment, and the Community

Mrs. Elizabeth McNaughton, Senior Research Officer

Futures Committee. Staff were also actively involved in developing the program plan for the department and participated on a number of interdepartmental committees established as part of the government-wide strategic planning initiative.

Social Services Training Programs

Robert Haley, M.S.W., M.Ed., Chief Instructor

In addition to short-term seminars and workshops, the Department is involved in three long-term training programs.

Since September 1977 the Community Services Workers' Course, a 10-month pre-employment program, has operated from the Nova scotia Institute of Technology. Through the core courses of Behaviour Management/Modification, Communications, Developmental Psychology, and Program Design and Planning, students acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to work effectively with physically, mentally and emotionally handicapped persons. To date this course has graduated 225 students, including 23 in June 1986, and an anticipated 21 students in June 1987.

During the past year the review of the Community Services Workers' Course requested by the Deputy Minister was completed. Among the recommendations were: (1) for the present, that the course continue to be one year in length, with a yearly review of the continued need for it, and (2) that a formalized relationship between Staff Training and Development and the Community Services Workers' Course be established.

The *Report of the Task Force on Family and Children's Services*, released in February 1987, addressed staff training needs in the area of family and children's services. One of the 10 major recommendations of the task force emphasized the need for additional staff training. Following the release of the task force report, a decision was made within the Department to deploy the staff from the Community Services Workers' Course to staff training for one year. The Community Services Workers' Course will therefore not be offered during the academic year 1987-88.

The Personal Care Workers' Course provides students with the knowledge and skills required to care for residents in Homes for Special Care, especially in Homes for the Aged and Nursing Homes. This course is co-sponsored by the Associated Homes for Special Care and the Department of Social Services. It was offered on a

decentralized basis in Homes in 1986-87. Since the beginning of this course in 1978, 1,928 people have written the provincial examination.

The Developmental Care Workers' Course is currently underway at the Riverview Adult Residential Centre in Pictou County and at the Braemore Home in Sydney River. This course provides an opportunity for staff of the adult facilities for the mentally handicapped to upgrade their skills.

Staff Training

Joan Parks, M.S.W., Supervisor of Staff Training

The purpose of the Staff Training Section is to orient, update and upgrade the skills of personnel so they may provide the highest quality of services to clients.

The Supervisor of Staff Training is responsible for designing, delivering or arranging, and evaluating in-service training programs for management, Social Services personnel, and support staff working in 19 field offices, seven institutions and seven Family Court locations, and for staff working in other social service agencies and facilities throughout the province.

An important part of staff development planning is assessing worker needs and interests. A range of methods such as surveys, interviews, small group meetings, and input from supervisors are used to identify staff training needs. The purpose of collecting a wide variety of data is to set staff development priorities and to develop the annual Staff Training Plan. Training programs are designed in consultation with the various program divisions of the Department.

The annual Staff Training Plan sets out a schedule of training seminars and opportunities for the coming year. The plan is circulated to all offices, Family Courts and institutions in the early fall.

During 1986-87, over 20 in-service seminars, workshops and presentations were offered to about 400 staff in the Department's field offices and institutions across the province. Regional training seminars were held for Family Benefits staff across the province. These sessions dealt with preparation and presentation of appeals, time management, stress management, federal income security programs, and dealing with the aggressive client.

A three-day training seminar entitled "Creating a Therapeutic Environment" was held for child-care workers who work in

departmental facilities, Group Homes and residential centres across the province. Topics addressed included the history, role and responsibilities of the child-care worker, typical stages of growth and development, living and growing together in a therapeutic community, assessment and management of adolescents, and practical approaches in child care. Other training sessions were delivered or arranged for clerical staff, child welfare staff, homemakers, and counsellors in Children's Training Centres, Residential Centres and Group Homes.

The Travel and Conference Committee meets several times a month to review requests for staff to attend external training such as annual conferences and skill-development workshops or courses. During 1986-87, approximately 200 staff attended training courses above and beyond those sponsored by the Department.

Three orientation workshops were organized for approximately 35 new field staff to assist them in understanding the structure and organization of the Department. In addition, the Department has a standard orientation course for field staff, with three phases. The Supervisor of Staff Training monitors the progress of the new employee through the phases of the course.

The training section manages an audio-visual library containing about 350 films, videotapes and slide programs which are distributed to provincial agencies and institutions for in-service training and public education.

Library

Jane Phillips, B.A., M.L.S., Librarian

The Department of Social Services Library provides literature support for the program areas of the Department. The Library also provides services to the staff of provincial social agencies, other government departments and libraries, students, university staff and members of the public.

In 1986-87 over 900 books were circulated to these various groups. From a collection of over 100 periodical and newsletter subscriptions, over 300 individual issues were circulated to Department staff. Over 1,500 press clippings were routed to staff members. For material required by staff but not owned by this Library, interlibrary loans are requested from inside and outside the province. During the year the Library received 35 such items from other libraries. The Library

Mrs. Jane Phillips, Librarian

maintained and updated over 100 annual reports and public accounts from other provincial and federal government departments. Over 180 new titles were ordered for the program-support collection.

Staff hired through the provincial summer employment program processed over 220 books added to the Library collection. The foster care and adoption booklist was also updated during this time.

The Library participated in information exchanges through its membership activities in the Nova Scotia Government Libraries Council. Appreciation is expressed to the Nova Scotia Legislative Library for the interlibrary loan and reference services extended to this Library.

Information Services

Although the Division was without the services of an information officer, a number of activities in Information Services were undertaken throughout the year with the assistance of the Publishing Section of the Department of Government Services. Some of those completed were:

- the preparation and publication of the Department's annual report, *Social Services for Nova Scotians*
- renewal and/or redesign of pamphlets on the release of adoption information, child abuse, and services to single parents
- preparation of displays for special events such as Senior Citizens Week, and
- preparation of a number of advertisements on departmental programs, and their insertion in daily and weekly newspapers and in specialized papers and magazines such as the *Seniors Advocate* and *Cape Breton's Magazine*.

Currently underway are projects related to Foster Parent Week and the day camp programs for special children.

Management Information Systems

T.J. Conrad, B.Sc., Manager

In 1975 the Department of Social Services, with support from Health and Welfare Canada, initiated the development of an integrated, computer-based Management Information System (MIS). The MIS is a common system shared by all users and is a primary source of information for the Department.

The Management Information Systems Section delivers information services, using proven methodologies to ensure a disciplined approach to systems development to meet user requirements in support of departmental goals. Current planning and delivery methodologies use techniques such as entity relationship modelling, strategic data planning, and prototyping. These techniques help the Department understand its underlying information architecture and define the environment it must grow towards to meet all computing needs, present and future.

Production Centre

The primary responsibility of the Production Centre is the day-to-day operation and maintenance of data-processing systems such as Family Benefits, the computer communications network, and support to all users of computer services.

Communications Network

The computer communications network was extended to the New Glasgow Regional Office and the Port Hawkesbury District Office, giving them on-line access to the Client Registry and Family Benefits data base. Other regional and district offices, Family Court locations and agencies of the Department will be brought on the network during 1987 and 1988.

As new locations of the provincial communications network are brought on line, currently centralized functions such as Family Benefits can be decentralized, and new systems to support the Family Court, Family and Children's Services, and Rehabilitation and Community Services programs can be implemented.

Data communications between locations is provided by the Department of Government Services' provincial network. This approach has allowed the Department of Social Services to share the costs of communications facilities with other provincial departments.

Help Desk

The MIS Help Desk provides day-to-day assistance to users in the areas of user training, acceptance test support, and central co-ordination of system and software problem reporting and resolution.

Systems Support

Significant enhancements are being made to the Family Benefits software in the area of Pharmacare eligibility and claims verification. New software will allow on-line access and maintenance of eligibility data for claims verification and will facilitate the reconciliation of invoices from Maritime Medical Care Inc. This software will be installed in June 1987.

Development Centre

Family and Children's Services

A project to analyze requirements for Family and Children's Services, Day Care Services and Homemakers Services was initiated in 1986. The project included the extensive involvement of the user community

through weekly workshops. During these workshops, users helped to define system requirements and participated in the development of a model information system for case management. The prototype and case scenarios were used to ensure understanding and acceptance of computer solutions and to solicit feedback. The prototype demonstrated the benefits of prior contact checking through the departmental Client Index; of case-management functions for case planning, goal-setting, and monitoring; and of worker and caseload statistics. The project will continue in 1987 with the design and development of a case management system which will be made available in all children's aid societies, family and children's services agencies and district offices throughout the province.

Financial Services

In 1986 a project was initiated to design and develop an automated system to administer maintenance payments to children under the care of Family and Children's Services district offices. Although Financial Services is responsible for administration of these payments, information is gathered and interpreted by caseworkers in the field. This system will be integrated with the Family and Children's Services case management system. To facilitate the development of this and future systems, the Client Index software was upgraded to use fourth-generation productivity tools to access a more flexible data-base management system.

Young Offenders Act Tracking and Record Keeping

During 1987 a project will be initiated for the design and development of an information system to support the tracking, record-maintenance and reporting requirements of the Young Offenders Act (YOA). The departmental Client Index will be used to identify and track youths aged 12-15 who are charged under the YOA. This system will be delivered to all Family Courts within the province and will provide on-line access and maintenance of YOA-related data. The system is expected to be installed in early 1988.

Family Court Enforcement

An information system for Family Court Enforcement Services was developed during 1986. This system is designed to run on

microcomputers and will be implemented in two pilot Court locations in July 1987. Based on the success of the pilot sites, the system will be implemented in another seven Family Court locations later in the 1987/88 fiscal year.

Letter Generating System

In late 1986 the second phase of the Letter Generating System was delivered to the Family Benefits head office and the Halifax and Cape Breton regional offices. The major enhancements in Phase 2 were in on-line editing and forms maintenance. Phase 3, to be initiated in early 1987, will be delivered to current Family Benefits users, Family and Children's Services, and Field Services and Personnel in June 1987. Some features in this release of the Letter Generating System include a forms directory, a capability to manipulate batches of generated letters, and the production of a usage statistics file. Future phases are planned to utilize the capabilities of newly acquired laser printers.

Information Centre

The role and primary responsibility of the Information Centre is user satisfaction. The centre is the principal contact between the user community and MIS and is responsible for long-range planning, implementing office and decision support systems, and promoting end-user computing.

Long-Range Planning

Since 1975 the Department of Social Services has developed and executed Long Range Systems Plans to ensure well-managed growth of its MIS. The latest edition of the Long Range Systems Plan describes the technological environment that will support all information needs of the Department as they exist today. The plan describes the hardware, software and human resources required to implement the targeted technological environment in stages over the next ten years. This plan will be updated every 18 months to reflect changes in government electronic data-processing (EDP) policy, the Social Services environment, information requirements, and technology.

Departmental Entity Model

As part of the strategic planning process, the information architecture required to support the Department's goals and objectives was examined. The result of this work was the Departmental Entity Model, which provides a view of the Department in terms of the information it gathers, how that information is used and shared by the various sections and program areas of the Department, and where program areas gather common data for different uses. An understanding of the data relationships ensures a consistent and planned approach to the development of future applications within the Department.

Office Support Systems

Systems for office-worker support can provide significant benefits to staff, in productivity gains, quality of work, and reduction of operating expenses. Office support systems provide facilities for electronic message and documentation distribution, test creation and revision, filing, personal calendars, resource scheduling, in-house publishing and so on. However, growth is restricted in this area because resources are limited. A major initiative by the Department is planned for 1987 with a pilot project for office support. The system to be used is IBM's Distributed Office Support System (DISOSS) and Personal Service/370, currently installed at the provincial Data Centre's host facility. The target group for the pilot is yet to be determined but will include Head Office and some or all of the regional offices.

End-User Computing

The development and use of tools to provide end-users with computing and reporting capabilities continues to grow within the Department. During 1986, Family Benefits continued to be the main user of this service, and use was significantly increased by the Policy, Planning and Research Division, the Field Services and Personnel Division, and some sections of the Family and Children's Services Division. Expansion will continue in 1987 as these tools become available to Municipal Social Services users and to other parts of the Department.

Indian Affairs

Allan Clark, B.P.E., Co-ordinator

Nova Scotia has four major Indian organizations: the Union of Nova Scotia Indians, representing approximately 6,300 status Indians; the Native Council of Nova Scotia, with a population base of approximately 4,000 non-status Indians; the Nova Scotia Native Women's Association, with a membership of approximately 4,000 status and non-status Indians; and a new organization, the Confederacy of Mainland Micmacs, which represents six bands on the mainland of Nova Scotia. Highlights of this past year:

- The First Ministers' Conference on Aboriginal Constitutional Matters was held in Ottawa on March 26-27, 1987. A delegation headed by Premier John Buchanan attended this conference.
- A number of federal/provincial/territorial meetings were held throughout the year to review and clarify the agenda items for the Conference on Aboriginal Constitutional Rights in Ottawa.
- The Cabinet Committee on Aboriginal Affairs met with the chiefs of the Bands and with the four major Indian organizations on aboriginal matters.
- A new subagreement was signed between Canada, Nova Scotia and the Micmac Family and Children's Services Agency of Nova Scotia on August 25, 1986, to further develop the agency.
- A meeting was held on October 30, 1986, between the provincial government and the two Native economic development corporations, Ulnooweg and Mikmakik, to review Native economic development.

Social Services

Field Services and Personnel Division

J.A. MacKinnon, M.S.W., Director

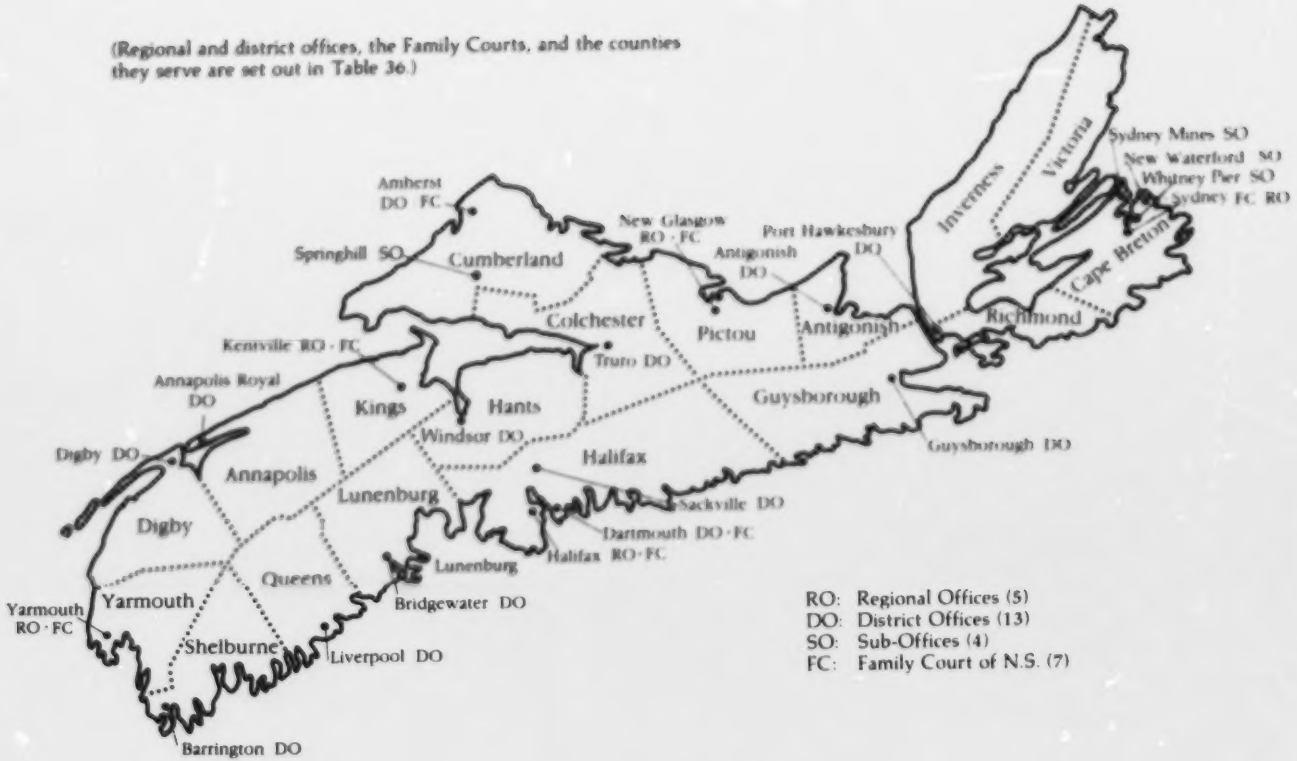
The Field Services and Personnel Division was established in 1978 and is primarily responsible for the management of all regional and district offices, Family Courts and psychological services throughout the province. The Division provides personnel services for the entire staff of the Department.

The following services are provided to clients of the Department at the field office level:

- financial assistance—Family Benefits and Municipal Social Services in certain areas
- Rehabilitation Services
- Family and Children's Services in certain areas
- young offender services
- adult services in the Family Courts
- community service projects in certain areas, and
- Psychological Services.

Field Services and Personnel is also responsible for all matters related to space allocations and to renovations and alterations to existing facilities, including the acquisition of additional and/or expanded space through consultation with the Department of Government Services.

(Regional and district offices, the Family Courts, and the counties they serve are set out in Table 36.)



Staff, Field Services and Personnel Division

Personnel Services Section

The total staff complement for the Department of Social Services was 850 as of March 31, 1987, including 323 staff in field offices (see Tables 36 and 37).

The Personnel Services Section includes a personnel manager, a supervisor of personnel services, a personnel clerk and a secretary. Under the direction of the Director of Field Services and Personnel, this section carries out a comprehensive program of personnel services for the entire Department. Services provided include:

- the recruitment, selection and placement of all staff in the Department
- the co-ordination of personnel services and procedures for the entire Department, including a centralized personnel system providing salary and wage administration, personnel record control, performance appraisal and related services, and
- consultation to the Minister, Deputy Minister and divisional heads on all personnel-related matters.

During fiscal 1986/87, 97 appointments and/or transfers of staff and 50 separations from the Department were processed.

The Department continues its involvement in an affirmative action program, which ensures that all candidates are given equal opportunity to compete for positions within the Department of Social Services. During fiscal 1986/87, 21 permanent or casual affirmative-action candidates were appointed to the Department.

The Personnel Services Section is responsible for all personnel transactions and for the co-ordination of such transactions between the Department, the Civil Service Commission, Management Board and the Department of Finance in accordance with existing legislation, negotiated agreements, and Civil Service Commission policies and procedures.

Psychological Services

During the 1986/87 fiscal year, Psychological Services provided assessments of 632 clients. The sources of referrals were various agencies within or associated with the Department of Social Services. This figure represents a 10% increase over last year. It is consistent with the steadily increasing demand for testing over the past four years.

The assessment component of this service provides evaluation of child and adult populations. Although the type of assessment may vary depending upon the type of request, the most-utilized assessments include evaluations of intelligence, social development, language skills, academic skills, vocational aptitudes, perceptual skills, and interests.

As in previous years, over 60% of the evaluations were performed on rehabilitation clients associated with the disabled and single-parent programs. Utilizing a comprehensive test battery, direction is provided to clients regarding their potentials for vocational or university-level training, and recommendations are made regarding an appropriate and effective rehabilitation plan.

Evaluations are provided to both pre-school and school-aged children. Assessments of pre-school children are usually conducted to provide information regarding school readiness, social and intellectual development, and level of functioning prior to adoption. Utilizing this service, workers are assisted in providing parents, foster parents, daycare staff and others with indications of areas that should receive extra stimulation. Indications are also provided regarding the need for

additional community resources, such as a speech therapist, day-care placement, etc. School-aged children are also assessed for similar reasons and to provide additional information regarding appropriate school placements and other community resources that might aid in development.

Psychological Services continues to provide evaluations for placement in programs, as requested by both the Services for the Mentally Handicapped and the Nova Scotia Residential Centre admissions committees. Regular updates are provided at the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre, Children's Training Centres and, upon request, at the Nova Scotia Residential Centre and the Shelburne Youth Centre. Evaluations are also provided of both children and adults, as directed by Family Court Judges.

Regional Offices

Cape Breton Region

	OFFICES
Cape Breton Regional Office	— Sydney
Port Hawkesbury District Office	— Port Hawkesbury
New Waterford Sub-Office	— New Waterford
Sydney Mines Sub-Office	— Sydney Mines
Whitney Pier Sub-Office	— Whitney Pier
Family Court	— Sydney Port Hawkesbury

Cape Breton Regional Office

F.A. "Sandy" Bowes, Regional Administrator

The Cape Breton Regional Office is located at 360 Prince Street, Sydney, in the Provincial Building. The area serviced by the Cape Breton Regional Office encompasses mainly the counties of Cape Breton and Victoria, which have a combined population of 140,000. Sub-offices are maintained in Whitney Pier, New Waterford and Sydney Mines to provide an effective delivery of the Community Services Program.

The Rehabilitation staff, Community Services staff, co-ordinator of Homes for Special Care and co-ordinator of Services for the Mentally Handicapped provide service in all four of the counties located on Cape Breton Island.

Family Benefits Program

The decentralized Family Benefits Program continues to function at a most productive and efficient level. Some 1,849 applications were given out in the past fiscal year for all categories within the Family Benefits Program.

The caseload served by our 14 field staff as of March 31, 1987, was 6,014. The decentralized approach to the delivery of this program has continued to ensure a high quality of service to recipients.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program, under the direction of the assistant regional administrator, provides consultation to all Municipal Social Services units on Cape Breton Island through the co-ordinator of financial programs. A regional policy approved by all municipal units on Cape Breton Island ensures the delivery of a quality Municipal Social Services Program.

The great majority of Municipal Social Services employees are employed by their municipal units but maintain a close liaison with our regional office.

Contractual agreements exist between the Department of Social Services and the municipalities of North Sydney and Sydney Mines and the Town of Dominion to provide Municipal Social Services programs in those areas. The staff are employees of the Department of

Social Services, but the responsibility for policy rests with the respective municipal units.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services provides vocational counselling to mentally, physically and vocationally handicapped adults residing on Cape Breton Island. Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Single Parents is now a significant part of our rehabilitation program and has grown rapidly. As of March 1987 our two single-parent workers were carrying a caseload of 200. The purpose of this program is to assist single parents in receipt of Family Benefits to overcome the barriers that prevent them from becoming employed.

Community Services Program

The Community Services Program, under the direction of a casework supervisor, with two field workers and a secretary working out of sub-offices in New Waterford, Sydney Mines and Whitney Pier, assists individuals and groups to upgrade their housing standards. This program is also responsible for the effective delivery of Day Care Services by determining eligibility for subsidized day care in industrial Cape Breton. The field staff are also responsible for recommending the relicensing of all private day-care centres. Over 300 children in our jurisdiction are in receipt of subsidized day care.

Homes for Special Care

The regional co-ordinator of Homes for Special Care monitors the standard of care received by the 1,406 residents in the 37 Homes for Special Care located on Cape Breton Island. These homes are:

- four Nursing Homes
- nine Homes for the Aged
- 14 residential care facilities
- six Group Homes
- three Adult Residential Centres, and
- one rehabilitation facility

This employee prepares all recommendations in relation to the licensing of the facilities and, with the administrative staff of the

Homes for Special Care, works towards upgrading and maintaining the standards of resident care. This employee also classifies and assesses applicants seeking placement in Homes for Special Care from the hospitals in the Cape Breton region. This is a new role for the former co-ordinator of Homes for Special Care, and 185 classifications were carried out in fiscal 1986/87.

Services for the Mentally Handicapped

The regional co-ordinator of Services for the Mentally Handicapped acts as liaison between agencies that provide services to the mentally handicapped—such as departmental staff, the Canadian Association for the Mentally Retarded (CAMR) (workshops), and Resi-care (residential)—and individuals, groups and other community services.

Family Court, Sydney

Rita MacNeil, B.A., R.S.W., Supervisor of the Family Court
Stan Reppa, B.S.W., Senior Family Court Officer
Walter MacMillan, B.S.W., Casework Supervisor (Young Offenders)

The Family Court is located in the Provincial Building on Prince Street in Sydney and provides service to the geographical area of the Municipality of the County of Cape Breton, the Municipality of the County of Victoria, and part of the Municipality of the County of Richmond.

The Family Court combines two disciplines: judicial and social. The judicial side of the Family Court operation concerns itself with the Family Maintenance Act, the Young Offenders Act, particular sections of the Divorce Act, and sections of the Criminal Code of Canada. The social side involves marital counselling on a short-term basis to reconcile and conciliate problems within the family structure.

Enforcement Services, with a caseload of 1,786, is responsible for the collection of maintenance payments determined by a Family Court Judge. Monies processed through the Family Court of Cape Breton for fiscal 1986/87 came to approximately $2,727,000.

Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton

F.A. "Sandy" Bowes, Executive Director
Hildegarde O'Neill, Director, Placement Services
Ian MacPherson, Director, Protection Services

The following services are provided through the Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton:

- Protection Services
- the Ward Program
- adoption
- foster home finding and training
- the Single Parent Program
- Group Homes, and
- a residential centre.

Protection Services

The agency's child protection program has a complement of eight workers, including a full-time intake worker. The field staff are assigned to specific geographic areas of Cape Breton and Victoria counties. In 1986-87 the protection staff were involved in 837 referrals, with an overall monthly caseload of 350 and an average of 70 new referrals per month. The assigned intake approach to child protection services has been effective in identifying and preventing all phases of child abuse. In the past year the agency has increased its emphasis on preventive services.

Ward Program

The Ward Program of the Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton has 155 children under care and custody. Over 75% are in their teens and experiencing emotional and placement problems associated with the teenage years. The five workers involved in this program work with these youngsters on a daily basis.

Adoption Program

Social workers hold group meetings with prospective couples, covering

such topics as procedure, policy, legalities, availability and nutrition. Couples now complete their own history and are seen in individual and joint interviews. The emphasis continues to be on placing older and difficult-to-place children. Twelve children were placed for adoption through the agency program in the past year.

Foster Home Program

The Foster Home Program continues to receive four to five inquiries each month from people interested in becoming foster parents. All applicants are seen on a individual and family basis prior to approval, and may attend periodic training seminars dealing with such topics as maintenance, the Children's Services Act, separation trauma, natural parents, adolescence, and drug abuse. The agency maintains a close liaison with the Cape Breton Foster Parents Association.

Single Parent Program

The Single Parent Program has continued to expand in the past year. The public has become more aware of this particular service through improved publicity and in-service programs. We anticipate that this program will continue to grow in direct relation to the increasing number of single parents.

Group Homes

The society owns and operates two Group Homes in the City of Sydney, which have a capacity of six and five. The group parents reside in the home on a live-in basis and, with the support of social workers, provide an excellent home environment for children who are unable to function in their own homes or foster homes. The population of the co-ed home consists of young teenagers attending junior high school; children in the other home are somewhat younger.

Residential Centre

The Boys Residential Centre, under the management of the Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton, is located in the Town of New Waterford. The staff, under the centre's director, provide a high quality of care and supervision for the boys who reside in this facility. The centre

experienced 98% occupancy in 1986-87, which demonstrates the continuing need for such a facility.

Port Hawkesbury District Office

Gordon MacMaster, District Supervisor

The Port Hawkesbury District Office is located in the Provincial Building on MacSween Street. The office serves the needs of Inverness and Richmond counties, which have a combined population of approximately 36,000.

Family Benefits Program

Two full-time social service workers maintain an average caseload of approximately 1,000 cases. This program provides financial assistance to disabled persons, single parents (both male and female) and foster parents. The staff are also involved with the Senior Citizen Financial Aid Programs and complete subsidy applications for two day-care centres. The staff continually make referrals to outside agencies.

In the latter part of 1986 the Port Hawkesbury office was decentralized and fell under the jurisdiction of the Sydney Regional Office.

As part of decentralization, a computer terminal was installed. This terminal allowed workers to obtain the most up-to-date Family Benefits data in moments.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program, through a contract between the Department of Social Services and the Town of Port Hawkesbury, employs a full-time worker who maintains a caseload of 110-130 clients per month. An additional staff of three provides Homemaker Services in the town. Municipal Social Services offices are also maintained in Port Hood and St. Peters, by Inverness and Richmond counties, respectively.

The Municipal Social Services Program offers financial assistance in the General Assistance Program and in Homes for Special Care. In the past fiscal year the program provided $331,000 in General Assistance and expended $130,000 to maintain persons in Homes for Special Care.

Family Court, Port Hawkesbury

The Family Court in Port Hawkesbury, serving the town, Inverness County and Richmond County, hears all actions under the Family Maintenance Act, Children's Services Act and Young Offenders Act.

The Family Court worker maintains an active caseload of 270-280 maintenance orders monthly. Monthly collections average $29,000–$31,000. Collections for fiscal 1986/87 were $380,709.49. The worker also acts as Youth Court worker, with an average caseload of 12-15 young offenders monthly.

Family Court is held every alternate Tuesday in Port Hawkesbury and Arichat, and every alternate Thursday in Port Hood.

Alternative measures which follow provincial guidelines for youths in conflict with the law have been very successful to date. Five hearings were completed since October 1986.

This program enjoys a favourable reception with the services and communities involved in the process. A representative from Port Hawkesbury is a member of the board of the Island Alternative Measures Society in Sydney.

Children's Aid Society of Inverness-Richmond

Gordon MacMaster, Executive Director

The Children's Aid Society of Inverness-Richmond was incorporated in 1981. The society is responsible for the legislated programs contained in the Children's Services Act, such as for the protection, adoption, care and custody of children. The society maintains a number of foster homes throughout the two counties.

Although the number of referrals being made to the agency increased by 74% last year, the actual number of children in care continues to decline. We attribute this to the fact that we are receiving these referrals much earlier than in the past, and before situations reach the critical stage.

The agency has developed a number of additional programs which complement the legislated programs. It has been the society's philosophy to reach out to the community. This was done through many workshops, which have been attended by hundreds of people. Over 1,600 children and over 500 adults participated in our "Good Touches, Bad Touches" program. This program is designed to help

Regional Offices

North Shore Region

OFFICES

North Shore Regional Office	— New Glasgow
Antigonish District Office	— Antigonish
Colchester District Office	— Truro
Cumberland District Office	— Amherst
Guysborough District Office	— Guysborough
Springhill Sub-Office	— Springhill
Family Court	— Amherst
	New Glasgow
	Antigonish
	Truro

children to protect themselves from sexual abuse at home and on the streets. It also helps the community to recognize its responsibility to report suspected cases of abuse and neglect.

The board of directors of the agency has decided to increase the membership of our society by 500 individuals in the next five years. The goal of 100 for the first year has been reached. William Y. MacDonald, a former president of the society, was honoured by being made an honorary life member of the society.

North Shore Regional Office

Cyril Reddy, Regional Administrator
Douglas Burgess, Casework Supervisor

The North Shore Region comprises the counties of Guysborough, Antigonish, Pictou, Colchester and Cumberland, with a total population of 160,000. The regional office is located on Campbell's Lane in the Town of New Glasgow and is administered on a joint service basis with the Children's Aid Society of Pictou County. A combined staff of 31 provides service to the 50,350 citizens of Pictou County.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program in Pictou County provides assistance under the Family Benefits Act to approximately 1,500 recipients. Three social service workers under the direct supervision of the casework supervisor are responsible for the delivery of this program. Assistance is also provided by our office to applicants to the various Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs. A Family Benefits staff member processes all applications for day care subsidies.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program is administered by the Department of Social Services on a contractual basis with the towns of Stellarton, Westville, Trenton and Pictou. The field staff are employees of the Department of Social Services; however, the responsibility for policy rests with each individual municipal unit. The Municipal Social Services Program for the Town of New Glasgow is provided through a

contractual arrangement with the Children's Aid Society of Pictou County. Municipal Social Services for the Municipality of the County of Pictou are provided by three employees of that municipal unit.

General Assistance expenditures for the six municipal units in fiscal 1986/87 were $3,360,732, and expenditures for residents in Homes for Special Care amounted to $5,034,612.

Rehabilitation Services

This program provides services to individuals over the age of 16 who, because of physical or mental handicaps, require assistance to achieve skills or occupational training to enable them to become self-sufficient. This program also provides counselling to single mothers to assist them in becoming self-sufficient through training, upgrading and employment. There are two field workers in this program. The worker whose efforts are concentrated on the disabled provides this service in the counties of Pictou, Antigonish and Guysborough, and the worker responsible for single parents serves all five counties in the North Shore Region.

Homes for Special Care

Nine Homes for Special Care, with a licensed capacity of 609 beds, are located within Pictou County. The larger facilities are Glen Haven Manor, New Glasgow; Valley View Villa, Riverton; Edward Mortimer Place, Pictou; and the I.O.O.F. Home, Pictou. One adult residential care facility is located in Riverton, and residential care facilities are Sunset Haven in New Glasgow and Shady Oaks Rest Home in Union Centre. Two Group Homes are located in Pictou County: one on Temperance Street in New Glasgow and the other on Foord Street in Stellarton.

The field assessment officer for Homes for Special Care works out of the North Shore Regional Office and is responsible for all aspects of licensing and for the classification of residents from hospitals to Homes for Special Care.

Family Court, New Glasgow

James Hahnen, Casework Supervisor

The Family Court relocated in January 1987 to Bridgeview Square in

New Glasgow. The Family Court hears all actions brought before it under the Family Maintenance Act, the Young Offenders Act, the Children's Services Act and the Infants' Custody Act. The Family Maintenance Act engages the greater portion of the Court's time with 1,215 active cases registered in the Court during the past year. Enforcement Services for the counties of Pictou, Antigonish and Guysborough are provided from this Court, with $1,604,043 in maintenance payments being collected in 1986-87.

Children's Aid Society of Pictou County

Cyril Reddy, Executive Director
Judy Zinck, Casework Supervisor

The following services are provided through the Children's Aid Society of Pictou County:

- Protection Services
- services to children in care
- adoption services
- a single-parent program
- a foster home program, and
- Homemakers Services.

Protection Services

Our agency has five field staff attached to this program. We have experienced a 69% increase in referrals over the year. This increase is further complicated by the complexity of the referrals being handled, with the majority having two or more problems. Public awareness, legislation that makes it mandatory to report suspected child abuse or neglect, and the efforts of the Children's Aid Society staff through in-service programs are all responsible for the dramatic increase in referrals.

Children in Care and Custody

The agency had 100 children in its care and custody as of March 1987. Seventy-one of our 100 children are over the age of 12 years. Clearly,

increased services for our adolescents are needed. Many adolescents are coming to the agency by themselves, requesting placement outside their homes because they are experiencing difficulty functioning within their family unit.

Adoption Services

One staff member is involved with this program on a part-time basis. Nine agency adoptions and 23 private adoptions were completed during the year.

Single Parent Program

Many of our single parents initially plan to place their children for adoption. However, more and more choose to keep the baby after it is born, in accordance with present-day trends.

Foster Home Program

The foster parent program provides emergency and long-term placements. Foster parents are the backbone of any successful child welfare agency. Without their dedication and commitment, many children would not have experienced positive placements.

New foster parents are continually recruited. Training sessions to help foster parents deal effectively with the many problems presented to them are also conducted on a regular basis by the agency's staff.

Homemakers Services

Two homemakers are fully occupied with providing a much-needed service to our protection and single-parent programs. Support for these families is in the areas of budgeting, housing, and child care. This program, which complements our professional intervention, is an essential part of our service delivery.

The Children's Aid Society of Pictou County has experienced a substantial increase in all programs during the last year. We are fortunate to have a dedicated staff who, with increased resources to meet the escalating workload, carry out their legislated and non-legislated duties in an effective manner.

Antigonish District Office

L.A. Mills, District Supervisor

The Antigonish District Office of the Department of Social Services is located in the Provincial Building on James Street, Antigonish. The office provides departmental services to the County of Antigonish, the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's, and Youth Court services to the entire County of Guysborough.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program in the Antigonish office provides services to Family Benefits recipients in the County of Antigonish and the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's. This service is available to disabled people, disabled people with dependent children, people with dependent children, and foster parents.

Community Services Program

One social service worker devotes part of his time to the Community Services Program. The program involves housing and repair programs offered by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and the Nova Scotia Department of Housing. The worker assists residents of the area by providing information and direction regarding home improvements and housing in general.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program has two social service workers under contract to administer the program for the Municipality of the County of Antigonish, the Town of Antigonish and the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's.

In-Home Support Program

Most senior citizens and disabled persons would rather remain in their own homes than enter Homes for Special Care. To facilitate this wish, a program has been developed to provide those persons who qualify with financial assistance. The assistance is granted where it can be

demonstrated that it is necessary to enable the recipient to remain in his or her own home and modestly enhance his or her lifestyle.

Family and Children's Services

Three social service workers provide services to children and adults, including:

- services to children who require a substitute family placement
- services to unmarried parents
- adoption services
- child protection and family care services, including both individual and family counselling
- provision of voluntary care for children, and
- adult protection services.

Homemakers Services

Homemakers Services are provided to residents of the County of Antigonish and are available to residents of the three municipal units within this office's jurisdiction through two private agencies. Financial assistance is available to clients of Homemakers Services through the Department's Municipal Social Services Program.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services are provided to residents of the Antigonish District Office area through the North Shore Regional Office in New Glasgow.

Day Care

A day care service is available to preschool children in a facility centrally located in the Town of Antigonish and subsidized by the Department of Social Services.

Homes for Special Care

Two Homes for Special Care are located in the Town of Antigonish, and one is located in the Village of Sherbrooke, in the Municipality of

the District of St. Mary's. The total capacity of these three homes is 185 guests. Many of these guests are supported financially through the Municipal Social Services Program.

Family Court, Antigonish

The Family Court serving Antigonish and Guysborough counties hears all actions brought under various statutes dealing with family matters and children, including the Family Maintenance Act, Infants' Custody Act, Children's Services Act, Young Offenders Act and certain sections of other Acts, including the Criminal Code of Canada.

Youth Court and Community Services are provided by one Youth Court worker, who serves both Antigonish and Guysborough counties. Service is provided to children under 16 years of age who have been charged and found guilty of an offence.

Guysborough District Office

Harold M. Roberts, District Supervisor

The Guysborough District Office of the Department of Social Services provides services to the Municipality of the District of Guysborough, the Town of Mulgrave and the Town of Canso, and is located in the Chedabucto Centre, just outside Guysborough Village. The Guysborough office has been in existence since fall 1977.

Family and Children's Services

Two social service workers provide child welfare services to families and children, including:

- child protection services
- adoption services, including placement of children for adoption
- services to single parents and unmarried mothers
- foster home care for children committed to the care and custody of the Minister
- provision of voluntary care for children
- family support and related counselling services
- planning and preparation for dispersion of the Christmas Daddies Fund, and

- arrangement of some of the summer camping programs at Camp Canso, Glasgow Head, Guysborough County.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program provides services to Family Benefits recipients in the Municipality of the District of Guysborough and the towns of Canso and Mulgrave. This service is provided to unmarried mothers, deserted mothers with dependent children, single fathers, aged people, disabled people and foster parents. The worker in this program processes and handles all home-improvement requests from program recipients. Assistance is also provided to applicants under the Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program has one worker under contract to administer short-term financial assistance to people in need in the Municipality of the District of Guysborough and the towns of Canso and Mulgrave. This program includes services to people seeking admission to a Home for Special Care. The Municipality of the District of Guysborough has its own Home for the Aged at Hazel Hill, Guysborough County.

The In-Home Support Program offers financial assistance to seniors and disabled people who wish to remain in their home with a relative providing care, as an alternative to a placement in a Home for Special Care. The Municipal Social Services worker also completes day care subsidy applications and carries out adult protection services under the provisions of the Adult Protection Act.

Homemakers Services

Homemakers provide support and assistance to elderly and disabled citizens. A working supervisor and six homemakers work out of the Guysborough District Office to service the Municipality of the District of Guysborough. Homemakers provide a valuable resource, teaching parenting skills, budgeting, nutritional needs and household management to families who need assistance. This supportive program often prevents children from having to be removed from their natural homes. Mulgrave has two homemakers serving the town.

Family Court, Guysborough

Family Court is held in Guysborough every second Thursday by a circuit judge from New Glasgow.

The Family Court officer is involved in the enforcement of many statutes over which the Family Court has jurisdiction. The enforcement service was initiated in the office in November 1982.

Colchester District Office

Harvey McArthur, M.S.W., District Supervisor

The Colchester District Office is located at 58 Willow Street, Truro, in the Colchester Social Services Centre. This centre is also occupied by the Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County. The staff of 30 provides, through a joint agreement between the Department of Social Services and the Children's Aid Society, the various Social Services programs to the 45,093 residents of Colchester County.

Family Benefits Program

An average of 1,158 families and individuals receive financial aid through this program each month. The needs of the Family Benefits recipients are now met additionally by the introduction of a 200-unit Shelter Component Housing Program co-ordinated with the Nova Scotia Housing Commission.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services to individuals who because of mental, physical or social disability require counselling and support towards self-sufficiency were provided to an average of 58 clients per month. The services of this program are expanding to include workshops to prepare the newly trained client to look for and obtain a job best suited to his or her special needs and skills. The Vocational Rehabilitation Allowance Program available to single dependent mothers continues to grow and to be well received by an average of 60 clients (up from 40 last year) who are involved in educational and vocational training programs.

Community Support Services

Staff of the district office continued their involvement in community endeavours to provide direct services and support programs. These include a work activity centre, a sheltered workshop, a work activity program, a Group Home for the mentally handicapped, a Head Start Program and a community day-care program.

Emergency Measures

The staff of the district office, in co-operation with the staff of the Children's Aid Society and Family Services, have assisted in the reorganization of an emergency measures plan for the Town of Truro. The Social Services segment is a major component of the overall plan and requires the participation of 16 people to lead the various services. Several of these people have participated in the training program sponsored by the Government of Canada at Arnprior, Ontario. It is expected that the remaining participants will be scheduled to attend in the new year.

Family Court, Truro

The Family Court continues to administer the Children's Services Act, the Family Maintenance Act and the Young Offenders Act. The Family Maintenance Act consumes the major part of the Court's time with 622 active orders being administered by staff, with total collections being $610,000 for 1986. Responsibility for the Shubenacadie Court was assumed by staff in December 1986, with an active caseload of 65. The Family Court is served by Judge Milner.

The Alternative Measures Program under the Young Offenders Act became operational in December 1986. This very successful program has heard 43 cases of first-time offenders and has 42 community service orders. The youth officer's caseload has increased dramatically in the past year, from 20 in March 1986 to 45 in March 1987. As a result of the increased workload in Family Court, a full-time bookkeeper position was created in December 1986.

Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County

Harvey MacArthur, M.S.W., Executive Director

The Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County is located at 58 Willow Street in Truro. The society is fortunate to have a very active board of directors from the Colchester area, thus insuring extensive community representation. The agency is responsible to the Minister of Social Services for the provision of the following services:

- Protection Services
- supervision of children committed to the legal care of the society by the Court, and children placed in care on a voluntary basis by their legal guardian
- licensing and supervision of foster homes
- adoption services
- services to unwed parents
- custody studies
- Municipal Social Services to the Towns of Truro and Stewiacke, including approval and financial assistance for admission to Homes for Special Care
- Homemaker Services, and
- family counselling services.

To ensure community co-operation between resources, the Protocol Committee was set up to deal with child abuse referrals. This committee is made up of various personnel from police, schools, hospitals, day cares, mental health agencies, Crown Prosecutor, and Public Health, and has regular meetings during the year.

The number of children in the legal care of the agency is continually declining, but this does not indicate that there are fewer problems. It is an indication of the extensive efforts being made to keep families together. Since the number of protection referrals continues to increase sharply each year, more staff has been hired and deployed in the protection field.

The training program under the Job Strategy Program sponsored by Canada Employment and Immigration will soon come to a close. Several of the trainees from the program were successful in obtaining

full- or part-time employment in the social service field after completing their training, and two of the trainees have gone on to university to study social work.

The Christmas Index for Colchester County is organized by the society. This was a major undertaking for volunteers from the board of directors and for the one hired person for the Christmas season. The Christmas Index program co-ordinates community groups and individuals who wish to be of assistance to the needy at Christmastime.

Cumberland District Office

Don Russell, M.S.W., District Supervisor

The Cumberland District Office provides service throughout Cumberland County. The district office is located at 24 Crescent Avenue in Amherst, in the Family Service Centre Building. It is operated on a joint service basis with Family and Children's Services of Cumberland County. There is a combined staff of 32 for all services provided.

Family Benefits Program

Under this program, long-term assistance is provided to disabled individuals, to persons with dependent children or to foster parents. Assistance is also provided to applicants under the Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation counselling and assessment services are provided to people over the age of 16 who, because of physical, psychological or social handicaps, need assistance to improve their occupational skills with the goal of eventual employment and self-sufficiency.

Community Services

Operated as a district sub-office in the Municipal Provincial Building in the Town of Springhill, Community Services provides services to individuals throughout the county who have special housing needs.

Day Care Services

Family Benefits staff members process all applications for day care subsidization and for licensing of new day care centres and assess all existing day-care centres each year.

Adult Protection Services

An investigation is conducted upon receipt of a complaint that an adult is a victim of abuse or incapable of protecting himself as outlined in the provincial Adult Protection Act. Existing community services are used to provide assistance where necessary.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program provides short-term financial assistance to people in need. Assistance is also given to individuals requiring placement in a Home for Special Care, including Nursing Homes and homes for the disabled.

Municipal Social Services for the Town of Amherst, the County of Cumberland and the Town of Parrsboro are provided from the Family Service Centre. The towns of Springhill and Oxford provide this service from their respective town offices.

Family Court, Amherst

The Province of Nova Scotia operates a Family Court for Cumberland County from the Family Service Centre, 24 Crescent Avenue, Amherst. The Court has a staff of four in addition to the Judge, who hears cases on Tuesday and Wednesday of each week. The Court has jurisdiction in family matters including maintenance, child protection and custody. It also acts as a Youth Court for children aged 12-15 charged with offenses under the Young Offenders Act of other provincial statutes.

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Family and Children's Services of Cumberland County

Don Russell, M.S.W., Executive Director

This agency, located at 24 Crescent Avenue in Amherst, provides child-welfare services and services to families throughout Cumberland County. It is a community-based, private, non-profit agency and provides the following services:

- child protection services
- services to single parents
- placement of children for adoption
- foster home care for children committed to the care of the agency and those admitted to care on a voluntary basis
- family counselling and individual counselling
- homemakers services to the aged, the disabled, single parents, and those who require teaching homemaker services, and
- a Group Home, providing residential care for six teenage boys or girls.

Halifax Regional Office

Joan M. MacKinnon, M.S.W., Regional Administrator

The Halifax Regional Office is located at the Metro One Building, 6061 Young Street, Halifax.

The regional administrator manages the region from this office and oversees the service delivery from the Dartmouth District Office, the Sackville District Office, the Halifax Family Court and the Dartmouth Family Court.

The following programs are administered and delivered through the Halifax Regional Office: Family Benefits, Day Care Services, Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Single Parents, Psychological Services, special services to mentally handicapped children (i.e., the Special Foster Care Program and the In-Home Support Program) and Adult Protection Services.

Family Benefits Program

The following staff administer and deliver the Family Benefits Program to the cities of Halifax and Dartmouth and to the Municipality of the County of Halifax: two supervisors, one chief clerk, two clerks, five clerical support staff and seventeen field staff (two located in the Sackville District Office).

Social Services field staff process new applications and determine ongoing eligibility yearly for the roughly 6,000 individuals and families who receive Family Benefits.

February 1987 saw the final conclusion of the decentralization of the Family Benefits Program in the region. Decision-making on all cases in the metropolitan and county area is now done decentrally through the Halifax Regional Office. Regional management of the program has improved the speed by which the clients can be informed of their status.

Family Benefits appeals increased in 1986-87.

Day Care Services

Two staff members assess parent financial eligibility for subsidized day care. The numbers of subsidized seats in centres has increased in the Dartmouth area, creating an increase in staff caseloads. This program is going to need additional staff in the next year.

Rehabilitation Services

Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Single Parents continues to be a vital program. Three staff continue to assess clients for suitability for training and to recommend financial support for clients who are ready to participate in training. In addition, the staff assist trained single parents in finding employment. Job search clubs have been effective towards this end.

Services to Mentally Handicapped Children

The number of cases handled by the In-Home Support Program for parents of handicapped children has increased. The worker in the Halifax Regional Office delivers this program across the province, and there are currently 80 cases in pay.

Adult Protection Services

Legislation was enacted in January 1986 to protect disabled and mentally infirm persons who are abused. The Act allows an individual to be placed in a secure environment and/or for community services to be provided. Administrative and designated staff handled the program until March 1987, when a staff person was put in place to handle all cases in the region. Twenty new referrals are received monthly.

Family Court, Halifax and Dartmouth

Calvin Bungay, Supervisor

The Halifax Family Court is located in the old Richmond School on Acadia Street in Halifax, and the Dartmouth Family Court is located in Queen Square, Alderney Road, in downtown Dartmouth. The Halifax Family Court provides service to the City of Halifax and Halifax County West. Dartmouth city residents and residents of the Eastern Shore of Halifax County receive service from the Dartmouth Family Court.

The Family Court combines two disciplines: judicial and social. The judicial side of the Family Court operation concerns itself with the Family Maintenance Act, the Young Offenders Act, particular sections of the Divorce Act, and sections of the Criminal Code of Canada. The social side involves intake and short-term counselling to help solve family problems.

Enforcement Services is responsible for the collection of maintenance payments determined by a Family Court Judge.

A supervisor and five Youth Court workers provide services to young persons in trouble with the law who may require the intervention of the Young Offenders Act. The Court works closely with the juvenile sections of the Halifax, Dartmouth and RCMP forces.

The Halifax city police have an officer stationed at the Halifax Family Court.

Children's Aid Society of Halifax

Marilyn R. Peers, R.S.W., Executive Director
Gail MacDougall, R.S.W., Co-ordinator of Program Services
Roger Godin, R.S.W., Supervisor, Family Care Unit
Barrie MacFarlane, R.S.W., Supervisor, Child Care Unit
Barbara Williams, R.S.W., Supervisor, Placement, Single Parent Unit
Chuck Lake, Comptroller

The Children's Aid Society of Halifax, located at 5244 South Street in Halifax, was founded in 1920. It is a private agency that provides a range of child welfare services within the City of Halifax. The community board of directors is responsible to the Minister of Social Services under the Children's Services Act and strives to maintain quality in all aspects of the society's work with families and children.

Family Care Services

Family Care Services is a specialized child-welfare service that offers help on behalf of any child considered or found to be neglected, abused or exploited. The goal is to help parents give care that meets their child's needs, thus protecting the child from further neglect or abuse and promoting the child's well-being. In 1986-87, 608 families received service from the agency. Two hundred and two children came into temporary care and, of these, 28 came into permanent care.

Single Parent Services

Single Parent Services provides supportive assistance to single, pregnant women before and after the birth of their child. The goal is to assure that the needs of both parent and child are met, and to help each parent arrive at the plan of choice for her baby. There were 66 referrals of single parents wishing help in planning for their infants in 1986-87, a slight increase from previous years.

Family Skills Services

Family Skills Services was begun in 1977 and provides three staff experienced in homemaking to teach parents skill in budgeting, nutrition, conducting job searches, child care and household

management. The service has expanded to include assistance in obtaining accommodation, job retraining, advocacy, and resource referrals. Over 150 families were helped to learn the skills needed to raise children.

Child Care Services

Child Care Services provides for the care of those children and youth who are unable to return to the care of their parents, for whom the stresses of parenting were too great. Children who require placement away from their own families are cared for primarily by foster parents. The Inter Church Group Home is designed to offer a living arrangement with a small group of peers in a homelike setting. They are assisted by selected group-home parents to handle the complexities of their relationships in the home and the community. Older youth have moved into independent living situations with the goal of continuing their education and training, and becoming self-supporting. The Annual Achievement Awards, provided through the financial support of the public, have assisted 26 of these young people who have demonstrated exceptional academic and personal achievement. The agency has 162 children and youth in permanent care.

Adoption Services

Adoption Services are provided for children who cannot be raised by their natural parents and need and can benefit by new and permanent family ties established through legal adoption. In this way they are able to become members of a family that can give them the love, care, protection and opportunities essential for their healthy personal growth and development. Eighteen children were placed in adoption homes in 1986-87.

Foster Care Services

Foster Care Services provides substitute family care for a planned period of time for a child when his or her own family cannot provide care for a temporary or extended period, and when adoption is either not yet possible or not desired. A number of foster parents who have had a child in care for several years or more have made a commitment to their foster child to live permanently as part of their family. The agency has 120 foster homes in this program.

Dartmouth District Office

Duncan K. Rosnok, District Supervisor

The Dartmouth District Office is located in the Professional Centre at 277 Pleasant Street, Suite 205, Dartmouth.

Rehabilitation Services

The Rehabilitation Services Program provides service to clients in the City of Halifax, the City of Dartmouth, and the County of Halifax with the exception of the Bedford-Sackville area, which is covered by a rehabilitation counsellor in the Sackville District Office.

Three rehabilitation counsellors provide vocational rehabilitation services to individuals with physical, mental or emotional disabilities who are at least 16 years of age or older. These services include medical, social and vocational assessments, vocational counselling, and services relating to physical restoration and vocational training. The primary objective is to help the disabled individual to obtain employment. From April 1, 1986, to March 31, 1987, some 186 referrals were received, 170 new cases were opened, 79 clients entered training, 28 clients completed training and 52 people found jobs.

Family and Children's Services

The Family and Children's Services Program serves the City of Dartmouth and the County of Halifax with the exception of the area serviced by the Sackville District Office (Bedford-Sackville and Halifax County West).

The Single Parent Program comprises two workers. They are responsible for providing counselling and supportive services to single parents to help them plan for their children and themselves before and after the birth, and to help them follow through with their plans. The workers arrange accommodations, financial support and medical care; provide information about legal rights and childbirth and alternatives open to the mother concerning her child's future; and provide temporary care for a child awaiting adoption placement, or to give the mother time to make suitable plans to keep her child. During fiscal 1986/87, service was provided to 223 single parents.

Two social workers are responsible for recruiting foster homes; orienting and training foster parent applicants and new foster parents

through group meetings over a two-week period; foster home placements; assisting in weekly permanency planning and adoption planning meetings for children in care; providing supervision of foster parents; attending foster-parent association meetings; and giving of their expertise and experience to foster parents. At the end of the fiscal year, 97 homes were in use. The number of homes approved for fostering was 134. This service is available to the Dartmouth and Sackville district offices.

Three social service workers work with the adoption program in the City of Dartmouth and the County of Halifax. Two are involved with agency adoptions, and one worker provides assessments in the private adoption program.

The agency adoption workers provide assessments of prospective adoption families and for placement of children for adoption. The adoption program workers also offer information meeting and participate in a self-help, post-adoption group provided for families adopting children with special needs. Eighteen children were placed for adoption during the 1986/87 fiscal year.

The Private Adoption Program was active in fiscal 1986/87. Ninety-four cases were carried over from the previous year, 125 new cases were added, and 143 cases were completed and closed, leaving an active caseload of 76.

Four social service workers involved with the Ward Program are responsible for all the children in the care and custody of the Minister of Social Services. The number of wards for the Dartmouth District Office was 135 as of March 31, 1987. Of these, 89 children are 13 years of age or older; thus the four ward workers are primarily involved with problems and resources related to adolescents.

The ward worker's main responsibility is to locate, secure and maintain a good home for the children, either a foster or an adoption home, looking after the best interests of the children in their care.

Independence Home is a facility providing and independent living situation for four girls aged 16 years and over. The Independence Home is staffed with two volunteers and is supervised through the Ward Program and the Dartmouth District Office. This facility is available to all girls in the care of the Minister or other child-welfare agencies. Independence Home has generally been filled to capacity during the past year.

The Protection Program is organized to receive reports of child abuse and neglect from the community it services. It is organized into three separate, functional units: Intake, Family Services and Child Care.

The Intake Unit consists of three permanent social workers who receive reports of child abuse and neglect from the community. They are responsible for investigating these reports and helping families to explore and to obtain services that can begin the process of resolving their problem. If the intake social worker has reason to believe that a family needs long-term follow-up, the family is transferred to the Family Services Unit. From April 1, 1986, to March 31, 1987, 867 intakes were received.

The Family Services Unit consists of five social workers and is designed to work with families over a longer period of time, from a few months to a few years. These are usually families who have multiple problems and require supervision, support and constant motivation to accept and use community rehabilitation services. During 1986-87, caseloads in the Family Service Unit increased significantly because of an increased number of referrals to the protection program.

The Child Care Unit comprises two full-time social workers and is designed to receive all children who are placed in foster care by the social worker doing either Intake or Family Services work. A large percentage of the children are voluntarily admitted to care.

There is also a teaching homemaker attached to the Protection Program who is available to other Family and Children's Services programs in the Dartmouth District Office. She works out of the district office and with our clientele, although she is funded through the Dartmouth Community Homemaker's Association. Her responsibility is to help the families referred to her to maintain the daily routine of the household as closely as possible, and to assist families with their individual needs for affection, attention and acceptance (i.e., in the areas of physical care, nutrition, health care, budgeting, etc.).

A case aide is responsible for transporting the children in care to and from appointments, visits, foster home placements, shopping, etc., and for completing social histories of the applicants for admission to the mentally handicapped children's program. The case aide is also responsible for carrying out certain administrative tasks as designated by the district supervisor or casework supervisor.

During 1986-87, the Dartmouth District Office provided field placement for four students from the Maritime School of Social Work: two students in the Single Parent Program and two students in the Protection Program.

Sackville District Office

Graeme M. Fraser, M.S.W., District Supervisor

The Sackville District Office is located at the Cobequid Multi-Services Centre, 70 Memory Lane, in Lower Sackville. The service provided by the office is enhanced by being part of an association of health and social service agencies which make up the centre.

During the past year the Cobequid Multi-Services Centre has undergone a major expansion. This has permitted the addition of new services such as an emergency centre, physiotherapy and a branch of the Hearing and Speech Clinic, and allowed the growth of the previous health and social service agencies. Consequently, in September 1986, the Department's office moved into considerably expanded quarters in the new wing of the building.

The Sackville office has continued to offer three major programs: Family & Children's Services, Family Benefits, and Rehabilitation Services.

Family and Children's Services

The Family and Children's Services Program serves a population of approximately 80,000 people in the area of Bedford-Sackville, to Hubbards on the west, and beyond Upper Musquodoboit on the east. Services involve investigation of referrals regarding children who are alleged to be abused or neglected; counselling and support to families experiencing difficulty in parenting, to prevent or alleviate abuse or neglect; and placement and supervision of children in the care of the agency either on a temporary or permanent basis.

Again this year the program showed significant growth with a further 18% increase in referrals regarding child abuse and neglect. While the number of children in care and custody has continued to decline during recent years and now stands at 51, with a growing number of children being served through voluntary care, the number of children in care has shown a gradual increase during the same period. During the past year the number of children in care fluctuated between 82 and 98.

Overall, the caseload has grown dramatically with a more than 250% increase in the past three years. Child sexual abuse and serious parent-adolescent conflict are two areas that have demanded an increasing amount of attention. In spite of the addition of staff last

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year, staff resources were severely strained. Staffing needs was a major area of administrative concern and attention during the year.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program provides financial assistance for various categories of recipients, most notably disabled persons and single parents with dependent children. The Bedford/Sackville area, the Musquodoboit Valley and part of Halifax County West are served from the Sackville office by two staff. The caseload has shown a gradual increase during the past year. Approximately $4.2 million was distributed to just over 800 recipients and their families.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services are provided to the Bedford-Sackville and surrounding area on a half-time basis. The program, which provides assessment and counselling services and facilitates job training and placement for disabled persons, has met with considerable success. The caseload generally has been in the range of 50-60 clients. However, there is potential for further growth when a rehabilitation counsellor can be made available on a full-time basis.

Central Regional Office

Barry Costello, R.S.W., Regional Administrator

The Central Region of the Department of Social Services encompasses the areas of Lunenburg, Queens, Kings and Hants counties. The regional office is located in Kentville, and district offices are located in Bridgewater, Windsor and Liverpool.

From the regional office in Kentville, services are provided to the approximately 57,000 residents of Kings County, including the towns of Kentville, Wolfville, Berwick and Kingston. Provincial programs administered from Kings County are:

- Family Benefits
- rehabilitation services to the disabled
- rehabilitation services to single parents

Staff of Department of Social Services, Kings County

- Day Care Services
- Family Court Services
- Adult Protection Services, and
- classifications & licensing.

Family Benefits Program

Family Benefits provides financial assistance to 1,479 recipients. This service is provided by three Family Benefits workers for various persons, under the Family Benefits Act and Regulations:

- widows with dependent children
- single disabled persons
- disabled fathers with dependent children
- unmarried mothers
- deserted mothers
- divorced mothers
- wives of prisoners
- foster parents, and
- single fathers.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation services are provided from the Kentville office by one social service worker, serving the disabled population over 16 years of age. This counsellor covers Kings County, and service is extended into Annapolis County as well. People who may qualify are unable to be gainfully employed because of social, physical or psychological handicaps, and assistance may be in the form of counselling or monetary assistance to assist individuals in becoming self-sufficient.

A single-parent worker out of the district office in Bridgewater provides services to single parents in the Kings County area. This service includes counselling or monetary assistance, depending on the need. The worker in this program carries a caseload of approximately 150 cases.

Day Care Services

Day Care Services are available to preschool children in two facilities: one in the Town of Kentville and one in the Town of Wolfville. These two registered day care centres are available to families who may qualify for financial assistance from the province. There are presently 67 children being subsidized in these centres.

Adult Protection Services

This program under the Adult Protection Act is serviced by one social service worker from the Kentville office and covers the west end of the province and the South Shore. The caseload under Adult Protection Services is 25.

Classifications and Licensing

This program is serviced by one worker located at the Kentville office and covers the central and western parts of the province.

Family Court, Kentville

The Family Court is located in the Provincial Building, at 120 Exhibition Street in Kentville. This court is a circuit court for the counties of

Kings, Annapolis and Lunenburg, and for West Hants. Services provided by the Family Court fall under various Acts:

- Family Maintenance Act
- Maintenance Orders Enforcement Act
- Children's Services Act
- Infants' Custody Act
- Young Offenders Act
- Education Act
- Adult Protection Act, and
- Young Persons Proceedings Act.

The caseload under the Family Maintenance Act continues to increase, and as of March 31, 1987, cases numbered 1,722, with collections of $2,165,010.86.

In addition to the above-mentioned Acts, the Family Court is also involved in the variation of orders under the Divorce Act of Canada. Last year the Court made variances of orders totalling 159 cases. (This does not include variances of orders in Hants County.)

The circuit court in the Central Region continues to be handled by three Judges: Chief Judge W. Marshall Black, Judge Paul Niedermayer and Judge Margaret Stewart.

Family and Children's Services of Kings County

Barry Costello, R.S.W., Executive Director

Family Care Services

Family Care Services provides legislated protective services for children of Kings County whose well-being may be at risk because of abuse or neglect. Through counselling and the use of community resources, staff helps parents to provide a safe and caring environment for their children.

Social workers in the protection program work with the families of approximately 914 children during the year, some requiring intensive, long-term help, some requiring alternative care arrangements for children and some requiring short-term assessment, counselling and/or referral to a more appropriate service.

The year 1986-87 was an intensive one for the workers and the programs of Family and Children's Services of Kings County. The rate of referrals to the agency remained virtually unchanged with respect to numbers of new inquiries received. The key factor and difference was the increase in the number of validated high-risk cases, especially in the area of child sexual abuse. Comparing calendar years 1985 and 1986, we saw an increase of 22% in validated cases of sexual abuse. Another significant factor is that the incidence of third-party sexual assault on children rose from 3% in 1985 to 20% in calendar year 1986.

Child Care Services

Child Care Services provided for the care of 197 children during the year. Of these, 112 were in the permanent care and custody of the agency and unable to return (by a court decision) to the care of their parents. The majority of these children live in foster homes. A long-term commitment is sought between foster parents and a child who is unable to return home or is being placed for adoption.

The average age of children in the permanent care of the agency is 13.8 years. Many need help to develop independent living skills, and constant support and direction from staff and foster parents. Attention to this important aspect of the agency's work suffers because of the demands of the protection program.

Single Parent Services

Single Parent Services provided counselling to 33 single, pregnant women, and follow-up supportive services after the birth of their children. Most single women choose to raise their own child and often require supplementary support and resources to do so. In 1986-87, just one single parent counselled relinquished her child for adoption. Many single parents require follow-up help because of isolation, lack of family support, inadequate income, poor housing and/or lack of child-rearing skills.

Adoption Services

Fourteen children were placed for adoption: three infants and 11 older children. Adoption Services is focussing more than ever on recruiting and assessing adoption homes for older children and siblings.

Educational meetings with prospective adopting applicants continue to focus on the needs of the adopted child and the adopting parents, and on the paramount need for homes for hard-to-place children. In addition to agency adoption placements, 19 private adoptions were processed. The agency views adoption as the alternative of choice if children cannot remain with their own families.

Foster Care Services

Foster Care Services includes 59 foster families who ensure care to children who must temporarily, and sometimes permanently, live apart from their birth parents. The agency arranges a home visit shortly after an application to foster is received. An information package is provided to prospective foster parents at that time. Training for foster parents is on an individual basis, e.g., one foster home may wish to care for teenagers, while another wishes to care for infants. The Foster Parents' Association of Kings County was reactivated during the year and is helping to provide training opportunities for foster parents. Foster families must have special qualities to help children feel secure and accepted during an often traumatic and frightening time in their lives. Fostering includes working with and preparing children to return to their own families, preparation of children for adoption placement, and sometimes offering permanent care to children. The need for foster homes for older children continues to be a concern. Specialized foster families are being sought more often for children with special and demanding needs.

Homemakers Services

Homemakers Services, which began in 1979, continues to teach parenting skills, budgeting, nutritional needs and household management to families who need assistance with the quality of care their children are receiving. Presently the agency employs two experienced homemakers in this role. This supportive program often prevents children from having to come into the care of the agency. Fifty-two families were serviced during 1986-87. The Department of Social Services finances 75% of this program; the remainder comes from agency fundraising efforts.

Prevention Services

As a result of the increase in validated child sexual-abuse cases, Family and Children's Services of Kings County, in co-operation with the Valley Health Services Association Mental Health Division, offered a 10-week pilot project (with a major research component: pre- and post-group intervention) to six sexually abused pre-adolescent females. A second group, again didactic in nature, will be offered to six to eight female victims aged 12-16. The agency has been offering a 10-week course called Systematic Training in Effective Parenting (STEP) as an education service to our foster and adoptive parents and as a prevention tool. Two such courses have been offered to date, and plans are in place to offer STEP-Teen in the fall of this year should resources become available.

The agency was successful in receiving a 52-week federal job development grant for the Lay Therapist Program. This program is geared to provide "grass roots" intervention to high-risk clients at an early stage of intervention. It is hoped that with training and support this project can experience a level of success similar to that of Family S.O.S. (Family Service of Support) in Halifax.

Hants District Office

Lubin G. Bourque, M.S.W., District Supervisor

The Hants District Office, with 10 staff, occupies a building in Curry's Corner, located within the Town of Windsor. The building is shared with the staff of the Family and Children's Services of Hants County. The year 1987 marks the 5th Anniversary of the joint service agreement between the Department of Social Services and the family and children's service agency.

The District office serves a population of approximately 36,000 people in Hants County.

Family Benefits Program

On average, approximately 800 Family Benefits recipients are served by two Family Benefits workers in this office. Assistance is given to disabled people, single parents with dependent children, disabled

fathers with dependent children, and foster parents. These workers also help process applications for Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs.

Day Care Services

Family Benefits personnel process all applications for day care subsidization, licensing procedures for new day care centres, and yearly assessments of all day care centres in the area.

The Department of Social Services subsidizes a day care centre within the Town of Windsor. This centre is a registered facility for 45 preschool children; 30 subsidized seats are available for those who qualify for assistance.

Municipal Social Services Program

Municipal Social Services has two main components: General Assistance, which is normally short-term assistance; and assistance for residents in Homes for Special Care. Three Municipal Social Services workers are employed at this office, providing services to five municipal units: East Hants, West Hants, Windsor, Hantsport and Wolfville. The General Assistance caseload averages 300 people per month. The Homes for Special Care caseload averages 205 per month.

During the past year a Job Finders Club, sponsored by the Municipality of the District of West Hants, was established to assist individuals in locating suitable employment. The project proved to be successful in that 40% of those who participated in the program were able to secure employment.

Adult Protection Services

Under the new Adult Protection Act, adults can be given service if they are victims of abuse or neglect or if they are unable to care for themselves by reason of physical disability or mental infirmity.

An adult protection worker based in Kentville is responsible for the administration of the Act in Hants County. In addition, the three Municipal Social Services staff and the district supervisor are designates under the Act.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services are provided half time by a rehabilitation counsellor from this office to approximately 40 people in Hants County who may possess a variety of social, physical and psychological handicaps. The thrust of this program is to assist individuals in need, 16 years of age and older, to develop occupational skills that will help them to take their place in society.

The counsellor based in the Hants District Office also provides Rehabilitation Services on a half-time basis to the district office in Lower Sackville.

Homemakers Services

Homemakers Services are provided to approximately 160 recipients each month in Hants County, and are sponsored by the four municipal units in the county. Homemakers Services is administered by a co-ordinator and is supervised by the Hants district supervisor. The services are provided by 20 full- and part-time homemakers, and the program is geared primarily to the needs of seniors and the disabled.

Seniors Information Line: 798-8323

Seniors can have questions answered from Monday to Friday on a wide variety of issues, including social, economic, educational or recreational concerns. The contact person offers a direct answer or connects the caller with an appropriate resource.

Friendly Visitation

This service is a volunteer, home-visiting program designed to provide friendship and support to disabled persons. Volunteers help meet the need for a close relationship, expanded social contacts, or regained confidence. Volunteers of all ages visit matched, shut-in seniors. Visits are usually on a regular weekly basis, and activities may include reading, writing letters, grocery shopping, conversation and so on.

Telephone Chit Chat

This service is available to any senior living alone who would feel

reassured by receiving a friendly telephone call. Volunteers of all ages from our community are utilized.

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels is a volunteer organization that provides nourishing noon meals to individuals having difficulty preparing their own. Recipients may be convalescent, disabled or chronically ill. Referrals are accepted from social agencies, ministers, relatives, friends and the individuals themselves.

Snow-Shovelling Team

A volunteer snow-shovelling team was organized for the past three winters and provided snow removal for seniors having difficulty shovelling their own walkways and doorsteps. Students were matched with seniors in their area.

Family Court, Windsor and Shubenacadie

Two Family Court Judges sit in Hants County: one in Windsor and one in Shubenacadie. The majority of cases coming before the Court are under the following Acts: the Children's Services Act, Young Offenders Act, Family Maintenance Act and Infants' Custody Act.

The Hants District Office provides a Youth Court worker and court reporter services to both Family Courts. Enforcement services for both Courts are delivered from outside Hants County.

Family and Children's Services of Hants County

Lubin G. Bourque, M.S.W., Executive Director
P. Neil Kennedy, M.S.W., Casework Supervisor

Family and Children's Services of Hants County is a private child-protection agency, with a board of directors drawn from throughout the county. The agency was established in 1913 as the Children's Aid Society of West Hants and provided child welfare services to West Hants and the County of Kings. From its humble beginning, Family and Children's Services of Hants County has grown to include 18 staff

members who provide services to a population of more than 36,000 people in Hants County.

Child Protection and Family Care Services

Three social workers provide services to families throughout Hants County, including the Indian Brook Reserve at Shubenacadie. With the establishment of the Micmac Family and Children's Services of Nova Scotia, it is expected that services to the Indian Brook Reserve will be provided by the Micmac agency on or about April 1, 1988.

During the past year, the number of families counselled by protection services staff totalled 271, with 481 children involved.

Foster Care Services

Foster Care Services provides both short-term and long-term substitute family care for children who are unable to remain in their own homes.

Agency staff recruit and select prospective foster parents through a series of group meetings and individual interviews. The agency has 43 approved foster homes for placement of children and adolescents.

Adoption Services

Adoption is a process by which a legal relationship of parent and child is established between persons who are not related by birth. Children are placed through the agency with adoptive parents who have been thoroughly screened prior to placement. The agency also processes and supervises a number of non-agency adoptions. Last year, four children were placed for adoption with families in Hants County, and 19 non-agency adoptions were handled by staff.

Services to Single Parents

Supportive guidance and confidential, free counselling is offered to unmarried parents who require help in planning for their expected child. During the past year, there were eight referrals of single parents requesting assistance in planning for their infant children.

Children in Care and Custody

The agency provides for the care of children who are unable to remain at home with their original parents. Last year, eight children came into the care and custody of the agency, and seven children left the agency's auspices. At year's end, the agency was responsible for 35 children in care.

Family Support Program

Family support staff provide practical support and guidance to families who experience child-related difficulties. These practical services are offered in conjunction with those of the social workers involved and focus on child care, budgeting with a limited income, planning nutritious meals, child management, and effective use of community resources. Families are selected for this program on the basis of their needs and willingness to accept additional services from the agency. Currently, one staff member is employed in this program on a 50% cost-shared basis with the Department of Social Services.

Windsor Group Home

The agency operates a Group Home for adolescent boys that was established in 1977. Located in the Town of Windsor, the home has room for six youths and is staffed by four Group Home counsellors. Often this Group Home is maintained at full capacity. However, during this past year, 16 boys were admitted to the home, and 16 boys were discharged, leaving four at year's end.

Hants County Christmas Daddies Show

The agency has conducted its own Christmas Daddies Show since 1977. Utilizing local cable television and radio, the program has a distinct local flavour. The organization of the show requires many volunteers, and there has been considerable commitment and support from the community.

The 1986 Christmas Daddies Show was a resounding success, with actual donations exceeding the amount pledged by 107%, and approximately $22,000 was raised. Together with proceeds from the

mainland Nova Scotia Christmas Daddies Show, 756 Hants County children were able to have a better Christmas.

Special Projects

The agency is currently sponsoring a job creation project employing three people for a 52-week period. Two of the project personnel have been deployed in the family support program, and the third person has duties at the agency's Group Home.

Lunenburg District Office

Michael K. Johnston, M.S.W., District Supervisor

The Lunenburg District Office serves the towns of Bridgewater, Lunenburg and Mahone Bay and the municipalities of the districts of Lunenburg and Chester. The office is located in the Provincial Building, Suite 105, 99 High Street, in Bridgewater.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program provides financial assistance to approximately 1,000 recipients. There are two field staff for this program, and 225 applications were processed, with 193 cases eligible for Family Benefits, over the last fiscal year.

Municipal Social Services Program

Municipal Social Services is provided through a contractual arrangement between the Department of Social Services and the five municipal units of Lunenburg County. A joint social services committee with representation from each of the five municipal councils provides harmony in policymaking. Three permanent social service workers and one casual worker provide General Assistance services and placement in Homes for Special Care for eligible persons.

The General Assistance program includes financial aid to needy persons, community residence services for the mentally handicapped, and Homemakers Services and the In-Home Support Program for senior citizens and disabled persons.

Rehabilitation Services

The Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Disabled Persons Program offers vocational assessment and counselling services to disabled Nova Scotians. The following services are offered under this program: assessment, rehabilitation counselling, medical aids, and training. Assistance is also available with job placements. One rehabilitation worker provides Rehabilitation Services to Lunenburg and Queens counties. The active caseload at the close of the fiscal year was 72 cases.

The Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Single Parents Program provides services to enable single parents to develop the necessary skills to be gainfully employed. As a part of the program, single parents are taught to manage their home and family lives in preparation for the changes that will be taking place. One social worker provides services to single parents in Kings, Lunenburg and Queens counties.

As of March 31, 1987, there were 101 active cases in the region. Of these, 42 were in educational training, 30 were involved in active planning for future education or training programs, 15 were job-searching and 14 were employed. At least 15 clients were considered new referrals and were just beginning an involvement in the single-parent program.

Day Care Services

The Department of Social Services subsidizes a day care centre in Bridgewater and another in Lunenburg Town. These day care services are for preschoolers and, as of the close of the past fiscal year, there were 80 subsidized children. Inspections of 20 nursery schools in Lunenburg and Queens counties are also handled by the Lunenburg District Office.

Adult Protection Services

In the last quarter of the 1986/87 fiscal year, there were 10 complex inquiries for services to adults.

Family and Youth Courts

The Youth Court is held in Lunenburg Town and Liverpool, and one probation officer serves both Lunenburg and Queens counties. There were 165 hearings during the year, and the number of youth on probation on March 31, 1987, was 30. In Lunenburg County, collections under the Family Maintenance Act amounted to $694,986.06 for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1987.

Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County

Michael K. Johnston, M.S.W., Executive Director

Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County, formerly known as the Children's Aid Society, has been in existence since 1941. The office is located at Suite 105, Provincial Building, 99 High Street, in Bridgewater. The agency shares office space and administration with the Department of Social Services under a joint service agreement.

Family and Children's Services provides the following services to the community:

- child protection services
- services to children in care and custody
- foster homes
- counselling to single parents
- Adoption Services (agency and private)
- Homemakers Services, and
- family and marital counselling.

Our staff, consisting of six social workers, one family therapist and a homemaker co-ordinator, have experienced increases in all areas of the caseload.

The agency's child-protection caseload stands at 239, with 42 being child abuse cases. Twenty-nine children were taken into care under the Children's Services Act during the year, and 33 children were placed in foster care under voluntary care agreements. In the adoption program, 11 agency adoption placements were completed and 14 private adoptions were processed. Our family therapist provided counselling services to 125 families during the past year. The visiting homemakers provided 16,448 hours of service to 197 families.

Queens District Office

Donald A. Burns, District Supervisor

The Queens District Office is located at 43 Carten Street in Liverpool and provides services to 13,000 residents in Queens County.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program, with an average of 325 recipients per month, is delivered directly from the Queens District Office. Payments to Family Benefits recipients in Queens County in the past fiscal year were well in excess of $2 million, and all those persons who qualified under Family Benefits as disabled persons were eligible for the Pharmacare program.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Department of Social Services, in accordance with a contractual arrangement with both the Town of Liverpool and the Municipality of the County of Queens, delivers the Municipal Social Services Program from the Queens District Office. The three major components are: General Assistance, Homes for Special Care, and the In-Home Support Program.

In fiscal 1986/87, $290,394.18 was paid out in General Assistance in the County of Queens, to an average caseload of 65 per month. In the same period, General Assistance payments for the Town of Liverpool were $139,673.49, with an average monthly caseload of 30.

An average of 100 residents per month were maintained in Homes for Special Care by both municipal units.

In 1986-87, 12 persons received financial support in the County of Queens through the In-Home Support Program. This program has been effective in providing an alternative to placement in Homes for Special Care.

Rehabilitation Services

This program, including the single-parent program, is delivered to Queens County from the Lunenburg District Office.

Young Offender Services

This program, including enforcement, is delivered to Queens County from the Lunenburg District Office.

Family Court, Liverpool

Family Court is held by a circuit judge from Yarmouth, who sits in Liverpool every Thursday.

Family and Children's Services of Queens County

Donald A. Burns, Executive Director

Family and Children's Services of Queens County is responsible for the delivery of children's services under mandate of the Children's Services Act within Queens County. In 1987, Family and Children's Services will celebrate the 20th Anniversary of its involvement in a joint services delivery system with the Department of Social Services.

The agency's voluntary board of directors, who represent all areas of Queens County, oversee the management of the agency and monitor the delivery of services to the citizens of Queens County. The board of directors also has responsibilities to identify the needs of the community and to respond with the development of more comprehensive services in consultation with the Department of Social Services.

Child Protection Services

In 1986-87 our agency experienced a 58% increase in referrals, which can be directly related to public awareness programs sponsored by the federal and provincial governments, legislation which makes it mandatory to report suspected child abuse and neglect, and the efforts of our agency through in-service programs, etc.

Foster Child Supervision

There are presently 23 children in the legal care and custody of Family

and Children's Services of Queens County (12 girls and 11 boys). Nineteen of the 23 children are over 12 years of age, and 13, more than 50%, are over 16 years of age. This dramatic change obviously dictates that we must develop more comprehensive services for adolescents who are in our care or being referred to our agency.

Voluntary Care Agreements

The voluntary care program, a most essential program in the child-welfare delivery system, has been utilized to provide services for nine children in 1986-87. This particular program has been effective in relieving adversarial climates and allows parents an opportunity to overcome illness, family problems or other difficulties while preparing for the return of their children.

Adoption Services

This service is offered by the agency. There are now a number of homes approved and awaiting children.

Homemakers Services

Queens County Homemakers Services celebrated its 10th Anniversary on January 19, 1987. This service has grown from four workers, including the co-ordinator, to a present staff of nine workers, including the co-ordinator, five homemakers and three home handy persons. In 1986-87, 10,887 hours of service were provided to the 145 residents of Queens County. This program, funded through the Department of Social Services, the Municipality of Queens and the Town of Liverpool, has been most effective in improving the quality of life in Queens County.

Foster Parent Week and Recruitment

Our foster parents, the lifeline of any successful agency, have been most supportive in giving of their homes and hearts at any hour of the day or night and on most occasions at short notice. Their tremendous contribution has and will be a major factor in guaranteeing service to children in need of protection.

The agency is actively involved in the promotion and development of new foster homes, which are immediately required to provide an appropriate home environment for our children.

Custody and Other Reports

The agency's staff prepare custody reports for the courts when requested to do so. In addition, staff prepares sundry reports, including home studies, for agencies other that the Family Court—an example would be a family background report for a child admitted to the IWK Hospital for Children.

Queens Association for Early Childhood Intervention

This program is jointly sponsored by the agency and addresses the needs of physically and mentally handicapped children from birth to five years of age. Our president is also the president of this organization, which has its own board of directors.

Regional Offices

Western Region

OFFICES

Western Regional Office	— Yarmouth
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	Digby

Western Regional Office

Douglas G. Raymond, R.S.W., Regional Administrator
Michael J. Kendrick, B.A., M.S.W., M.Th.,
Assistant Regional Administrator

The Western Region encompasses Shelburne, Yarmouth, Digby and Annapolis counties. The regional office is located in Yarmouth, with district offices in Barrington, Digby and Annapolis Royal. The regional administrator is responsible for program development, co-ordination and supervision, and the operation of both the regional and district offices.

Three persons were employed through the provincial employment program at the Western Regional Office during the 12-month period ending March 31, 1987. One individual served as a case aide for the provincial Family Benefits Program and the Municipal Social Services Program, one provided clerical services to these programs and one provided clerical services to the Family Court.

The Western Regional Office is accountable for program delivery to a population of approximately 24,000 people within the County of Yarmouth.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program has two social service workers, who help individuals apply for financial assistance. Personal and financial data are validated and reported in writing to the Family Benefits Division in Halifax, enabling the Director of Family Benefits to determine eligibility. Annual reviews and changes in the financial status of clients are carried out by social service workers, who have a combined caseload of about 846 clients.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services for the counties of Yarmouth and Digby are provided by one social service worker. Another social service worker provides counselling services to single parents in Digby, Yarmouth, Shelburne and Annapolis counties.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program is provided on a contractual basis between the Minister of Social Services and the Town of Yarmouth, the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth, and the Municipality of the District of Argyle. The three social service workers responsible for this program provide assistance to clients applying for short-term financial aid and placement in Homes for Special Care. Personal, financial and social data are collected and assessed by these staff members to determine eligibility.

Homemakers Services

Homemakers Services are provided under the Municipal Social Services Program to the elderly and disabled throughout the County of Yarmouth. Supervised by Department staff, homemakers are employees of the municipalities. Six full-time and 21 part/time homemakers compose the staff, with direct supervision provided by a co-ordinator.

Family Court, Yarmouth

The Family Court has its offices in Yarmouth, with circuit courtroom facilities located in Digby, Barrington, Shelburne and Liverpool. A court supervisor is responsible for staff involved in programs relating to maintenance collection and enforcement, the Young Offenders Act and the other statutes over which the Family Court has jurisdiction.

Family and Children's Services of Yarmouth County

Douglas G. Raymond, R.S.W., Executive Director

Family and Children's Services of Yarmouth County, formerly the Children's Aid Society of Yarmouth County, is a private child-caring agency with a board of 25 directors selected from the Yarmouth area. It has been in existence since 1913 and now provides services to a population base of 26,000. Those services include:

- child protection

- services to children in care and custody
- adoptions (agency and private)
- foster home finding
- services to unmarried mothers
- counselling
- home studies and court reports, and
- the Residential Centre at Hebron.

The agency presently has five field staff, secretary, bookkeeper, switchboard operator, supervisor and director. A full-time case aide was added to the staff in September 1986. During summer 1986 the agency was fortunate to employ a university student under the federal Challenge '86 Program. There were two staff changes during the year which necessitated a realignment of duties and caseloads.

Child Protection Services

The child protection program was carried out by three field workers and an intake worker. There was a noticeable increase in workload during the year, as 172 protection cases were opened and 191 were closed. The number of apprehensions, nine for the year, was down from the previous year, but this was offset by an increase in the number of voluntary care arrangements—62 for the year.

The office initiated a new security system for all staff. This system has a buzzer connected to each phone which may be activated by a staff person in the event of a threatening gesture from an irate client.

Children in Care and Custody

During its 74 years of operation, 886 children have been committed to the care and custody of the agency. At the year's end, 55 children remained in care, a drop of 24 children from the previous year. The majority of those children remaining in care were between the ages of 10 and 20. Permanency planning continued to play a large role, and each child's placement needs were assessed on a regular basis.

Foster Homes

The foster home program lost foster homes on a steady basis during the fiscal year. Efforts to recruit new homes have not proved successful.

At the end of the fiscal year the agency had 49 homes, 32 in use. There were 21 inquiries, and only five approvals.

The executive director of the Foster Parent Federation contacted the agency with a view towards resurrecting a foster parent association. Preliminary plans appeared to be positive towards this end.

Adoption Services

During fiscal 1986/87, 11 agency adoption inquiries were received, along with 14 private adoption inquiries. A moratorium on agency adoptions was lifted, which increased the applications and workload. At the end of fiscal 1986/87, 20 agency applicants were awaiting evaluation. Only five children were placed in adoption homes during the year, and at the year's end three of the agency's children were in adoption placements. One child was placed under voluntary care.

Services to Unmarried Mothers

This program has diminished drastically with a change in focus, as only three referrals were handled. Four cases were closed with a carry-over of two. The program has continued to counsel unmarried mothers on their options, with a greater emphasis on placement for adoption. Other options are referred, to avoid duplication of service.

Family Counselling Services

Agency staff provide counselling of an intermediate nature to clients where necessary, and continue to rely on the professional counselling services offered at the Bertha Churchill Clinic, Yarmouth Regional Hospital. During the year, staff offered a 10-week Systematic Training in Effective Parenting (STEP) program and a 10-week information and participation program for single parents in the Yarmouth area.

The board of the agency continues to be active on issues such as those presented by the *Report of the Task Force on Family and Children's Services* related to staffing. It also received a workshop on fundraising.

Home Studies and Court Reports

From time to time the agency is asked to complete reports concerning children entering facilities for the mentally handicapped or to prepare

custody reports for the Family Court. These services are offered as supplements and are completed when time permits.

Residential Centre

This facility, located at Hebron, Yarmouth County, has been in operation since August 1974. Under the direction of the board of directors of Family and Children's Services of Yarmouth County, the seven counsellors and the housemother, stenographer and director endeavour to provide a comprehensive program for the 12 children placed under their care.

At any given time the centre can accommodate four girls and eight boys. Children are placed here as a result of behavioural problems or emotional difficulties. They attend schools in the area and are kept busy with extracurricular activities such as programs offered at the Y.M.C.A. and trips conducted by staff.

Digby District Office

G. Greg Wiseman, District Supervisor

The Digby District Office is located on Warwick Street in the Town of Digby and serves the entire population of Digby County. Its staff offers program services in both English and French.

Municipal Social Services Program

Municipal Social Services are provided on a contractual basis with the three municipal units in the county. The program is administered by one part-time and two full-time social service workers. One full-time and one part-time worker serve the Municipality of the District of Digby and the Town of Digby, and one full-time worker provides services to the Municipality of the District of Clare. The program provides financial assistance to individuals determined to be in need. They include individuals in a community residence program, and people seeking admission to a Home for Special Care or access to the In-Home Support Program, where assistance is granted to seniors and disabled individuals who are remaining in their homes through the support they receive from relatives.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program provides financial assistance, usually of a prolonged nature, to disabled individuals, disabled fathers and/or disabled mothers with dependent children, unmarried mothers and fathers with dependent children, deserted mothers or fathers with dependent children, aged people, and foster parents.

The program is administered by two social service workers. One worker is responsible for services to the Town of Digby and the Municipality of the District of Digby, and the other worker serves the residents of the Municipality of the District of Clare, where the worker also completes day care subsidy applications from parents whose children attend La Garderie Familiale de Clare (Clare Family Day Care).

The workers in this program process and handle all home-improvement loan requests from program recipients and process applications for Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs.

Adult Protection Services

Since the proclamation of the Adult Protection Act on January 6, 1986, the office has been responsible for investigating reports of adult abuse and neglect.

The new legislation and this program are designed to offer help and services to elderly, disabled and/or mentally infirm persons who are incapable of protecting themselves from abuse or neglect. An adult protection worker situated in Kentville services the Digby area, in concert with five district office staff who have been designated to perform certain duties under this legislation. One of the five acts as co-ordinator for Adult Protection Services within the Digby District office.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services (which includes vocational rehabilitation services to single parents) are provided by two social service workers from the Western Regional Office in Yarmouth. These workers are in the Digby office one day per week.

Family and Children's Services

This program provides services to children in care and custody, foster home recruitment, child protection and family support services,

counselling to unmarried mothers and single parents, adoptions, and the preparation of custody reports for the Family Court. The programs' workers are instrumental in making arrangements for needy children to attend the Department's Camp Hilles at Paradise, Annapolis County, each summer.

One of the workers conducts reviews for the purpose of relicensing the eight day-care centres in the county.

Homemakers Services

Homemakers provide support and help to elderly and disabled citizens and teach and practice homemaking skills with multiproblem families. The homemakers and homemakers co-ordinator (for the Town and the Municipality of the District of Digby), who are supervised by the Digby office's Youth Court worker, are employees of the municipalities they serve. Two serve the Town of Digby, four serve the Municipality of the District of Digby and four serve the Municipality of the District of Clare.

Family Court, Digby

Family Court is held in Digby on Tuesday of each week. Youth Court is held in Digby on the second Tuesday of each month. Young Offender and Family Court Services for Digby and Annapolis counties is administered by a Youth Court worker who provides services to youths who appear before Family Court under the Young Offenders Act, the Education Act, and the Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act.

Other services associated with the Youth Court are the Alternative Measures Program, the Community Service Orders Program, and the Volunteer Match Program, which are administered and provided in Digby by the Southwest Alternative Measures Program Association. The association and its co-ordinator are located in Yarmouth, but volunteers from Digby County serve on its board of directors and participate in its programs.

Shelburne District Office

Raymond G. Harris, District Supervisor

The Shelburne District Office is located at the Administrative Centre in Barrington. The location is shared with the Children's Aid Society of Shelburne County in a joint service arrangement. Services are provided to five municipal units, with a combined population of approximately 17,500.

Family Benefits Program

This program provides financial benefits under the Family Benefits Act to approximately 360 recipients. Assistance under this program may be provided to disabled persons, single parents, foster parents, and spouses of prisoners. The worker also has responsibility with the financial aid programs to seniors and assists with the completion of applications, handles referrals and completes necessary follow-up.

Single Parent Program

The single-parent program is operated in conjunction with our Family Benefits Program and allows us to recommend financial assistance to clients who are capable and ready to participate in training or employment. The present single-parent caseload is 12. During the preceding year, nine single parents took advantage of training, and five obtained employment.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services provides vocational counselling to handicapped adults within the county. The present caseload is 23. One client is attending university, one is in vocational school, and others take courses such as a personal care workers course, General Equivalency Diploma (G.E.D.) upgrading, or work assessments.

Day Care Services

This program is responsible for the delivery of day care and determines eligibility for subsidized day care in the county. Staff are also

responsible for recommending the licensing of private day-care centres. Presently we have 10 subsidized seats in a non-profit day care and have responsibility for licensing three private day-care centres.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program is administered by the Department of Social Services on a contractual basis with the towns of Lockeport, Shelburne and Clark's Harbour and the municipalities of the District of Barrington and the District of Shelburne. The five municipal units have a joint social service committee which is responsible for policy, and a Municipal Social Services worker is responsible for administration. Homemakers Services is presently offered in three municipal units. However, the two remaining municipal units have indicated a willingness to implement the service, and by 1988 the whole county should have the homemakers program in place. Homemakers Services is presently servicing 80 families.

Our General Assistance caseload for the county averages 25, and the Home for Special Care averages 160.

The Children's Aid Society of Shelburne County

Raymond G. Harris, Executive Director

The Children's Aid Society of Shelburne County provides the following services:

- protection services
- adoption services
- foster care
- unmarried mother services
- family counselling
- family support services, and
- other services such as custody reports, out-of-province requests, and services to the mentally handicapped.

At present the agency has 48 children in care. During the past year, 16 children were placed in care either by Family Court order or by voluntary care. The agency has a child protection caseload of 62.

In 1986 our agency became an heir to the Shelburne Group Home and since November has been operating it as a receiving home. We have had 11 children in the home and have it fully booked for the summer.

Annapolis District Office

Donald Lefurgey, District Supervisor

The Annapolis District Office, located in the Municipal Building in Annapolis Royal, operates under a joint service agreement with Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County.

Two Family Benefits workers investigate applications for financial assistance and continually update information on existing clients. The Family Benefits caseload at the end of the 1986/87 fiscal year was 613. In addition, these workers are responsible for the supervision of subsidized day-care centres in the county, and the annual review for the relicensing of day cares already in existence. From time to time the Family Benefits workers are called upon to investigate referrals of adult abuse or neglect.

Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County

Donald Lefurgy, Executive Director

Established in 1914 as the Children's Aid Society of Annapolis and renamed Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County in 1972, this agency is located in the Municipal Building in Annapolis Royal. The social-work staff of four full-time and two part-time workers provides services in all aspects of child welfare, family and marriage counselling, and homemakers services.

Protection Services

During fiscal 1986/87, the agency dealt with 191 referrals of neglect and/or abuse. Only nine children were removed from their homes to

pursue the court process, and 12 were placed in voluntary care. Three children came into the care and custody of the agency.

Children in Care and Custody

The number of children in care and custody continues to decline. The agency ended the year with 48 children in care and custody. While three came into care through the court process, seven had their wardship terminated. About 75% of the children in care and custody are 15 years of age and older. Many of these children are living independently, with workers providing support and encouragement to develop necessary life skills.

This year, several children had their wardship extended for educational purposes.

Adoption Services

The agency's adoption program continues to slow down as fewer infants are available for adoption. Adoption applications are not being processed, as many families are presently on a waiting list. Four children were placed for adoption during the fiscal year.

International adoptions are becoming more attractive to families who are unable to obtain an infant in Nova Scotia.

Private adoptions remain fairly constant, with eight families being processed during 1986-87.

Services to Unmarried Mothers

The agency dealt with 14 unmarried mothers during the fiscal year, nine of whom were new referrals. Only five of these mothers placed their children for adoption.

The unmarried-mother worker offers counselling and support services to the young women and refers them to other community services as necessary.

Foster Care

During 1986-87, 16 applications for foster children were received by the agency. Good foster homes for teens is an ongoing need. Unfortunately, the increased protection caseload requires workers to

delay foster home evaluations. Support for existing foster families and recruitment of new foster homes is minimal because of a shortage of time and staff.

Family and Marriage Counselling

One half-time marriage and family counsellor dealt with 51 cases during the fiscal year. Twenty-eight of these were new referrals. The counsellor continues to be active with a growing SASA (Sexual Abuse Survivors Anonymous) group.

Homemakers Services

Homemaker Services is increasingly seeing the need for teaching services for families in crisis. It is also providing more services to the disabled and continues to be busy serving seniors. Late winter saw an increase in referrals of almost 100%.

Public Relations

Despite the heavy caseloads of our workers, the agency recognizes the importance of public relations. Workers and board members have become involved in speaking engagements over the past year. Workers participated in several public legal education panels at high schools throughout the county. In-service sessions were held for Valley Care line workers and for staff at the S.O.S. Children's Village in Margaretsville. Parent-teacher associations were addressed on two occasions. During the financial campaign, several board members spoke to church groups and to community and other organizations about the work of the agency.

Table 36

Regional and District Offices and the Family Court

By County

CAPE BRETON REGION	— Cape Breton, Richmond, Victoria and Inverness counties
Regional Office	— Sydney
District Office	— Port Hawkesbury
Sub-Offices	— New Waterford — Sydney Mines — Whitney Pier
Family Court	— Sydney (serving the Cape Breton Region)
NORTH SHORE REGION	— Antigonish, Guysborough, Pictou, Colchester and Cumberland counties
Regional Office	— New Glasgow
District Offices	— Amherst, Antigonish, Truro, Guysborough
Sub-Office	— Springhill
Family Courts	— New Glasgow (serving the counties of Antigonish, Guysborough, Pictou and Colchester)
	— Amherst (serving the County of Cumberland)
HALIFAX REGION	— Halifax County
Regional Office	— Halifax
District Offices	— Dartmouth, Sackville
Family Courts	— Halifax (serving the City of Halifax and part of Halifax County)
	— Dartmouth (serving the City of Dartmouth and part of Halifax County)
CENTRAL REGION	— Lunenburg, Queens, Hants and Kings counties
Regional Office	— Kentville
District Offices	— Bridgewater, Liverpool, Windsor
Family Court	— Kentville (serving the Central Region)
WESTERN REGION	— Annapolis, Digby, Yarmouth and Shelburne counties
Regional Office	— Yarmouth
District Offices	— Barrington, Digby, Annapolis Royal
Family Court	— Yarmouth (serving the Western Region)

Table 37

Personnel in the Five Regions

March 31, 1987

	Cape Breton	Central	Halifax	North Shore	Western	Total
Regional Administrator	1	1	1	1	1	5
Assistant Regional Administrator	1	—	—	—	1	2
District Supervisor	1	3	2	4	3	13
Casework Supervisor	3	2	4	1	1	11
Supervisor of Family Benefits Program	1	—	1	—	—	2
Supervisor of the Family Court	1	—	1	—	—	2
Senior Family Court Officer	1	—	2	—	—	3
Field Staff	35	26	63	34	22	180
Clerical Staff	22	16	36	21	10	105
Total Field Staff						323

Social Services

Financial Services Division

Arnold R. Jones, Director

Fiscal Planning and Control

Clem Hennebury, B.Comm., Co-ordinator

The Co-ordinator is responsible for preparing the departmental budget and supervising its control throughout the year. Over recent years, budget preparation has become more complex; as a result, the Co-ordinator is responsible for training the line managers on all aspects of budget preparation and control.

Data Verification and Accounting

Roger Angevine, Supervisor

The Supervisor is responsible for developing and maintaining acceptable accounting procedures for the entire Department and for maintaining a constant review of the Financial Services Division's computer programs to ensure that the most current and accurate expenditure information is available to senior management and the budget subject managers.

Claims, Contracts and Data Processing

George Collier, Supervisor

The Supervisor is responsible for preparing all claims for cost-sharing with the Government of Canada. This section is also responsible for the data entry of all expenditure and recovery items to the Financial Services Computer System, and for the production of all monthly and special financial reports.

Administrative Services

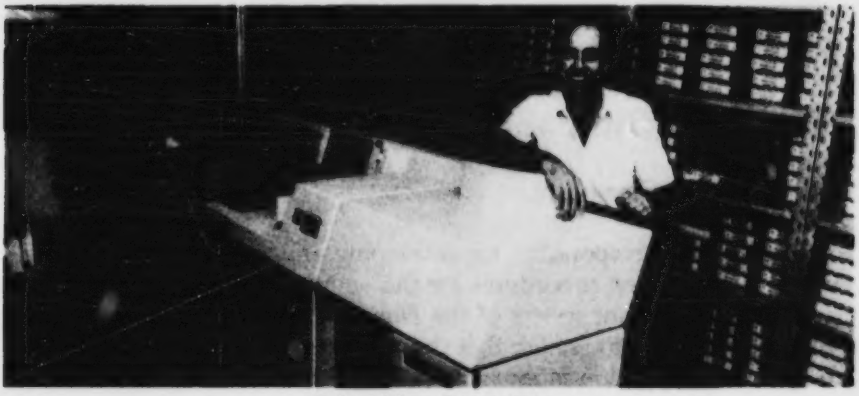
Roger Whitman, Supervisor

The Supervisor is responsible for account and bank reconciliations, purchasing, inventory, equipment maintenance, incoming and outgoing mail, and the financial aspects of the three programs for senior citizens.

Financial Co-ordinator, Homes for Special Care

Brenda Murray, B.Comm., Co-ordinator

The Co-ordinator is responsible for the financial analysis necessary to establish a reasonable sharable per diem rate for all Homes for Special Care. At present there are over 220 such homes.



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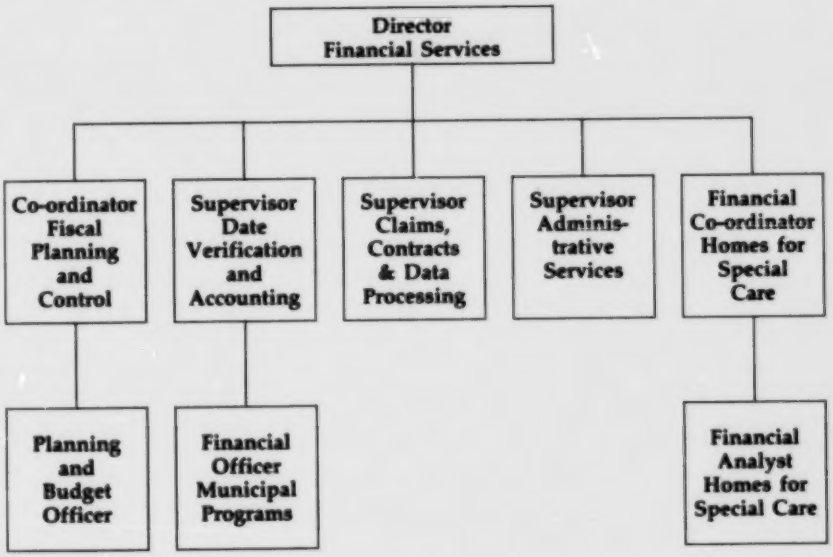
March 1987


Director
Financial Services
Co-ordinator Fiscal Planning and Control
Supervisor Date Verification and Accounting
Supervisor Claims, Contracts & Data Processing
Supervisor Adminis-trative Services
Financial Co-ordinator Homes for Special Care
Planning and Budget Officer
Financial Officer Municipal Programs
Financial Analyst Homes for Special Care

The Financial Services Division provides the financial support services for the entire Department.

Financial Expenditures and Estimates

	Actual Expenditures 1986-87	Approved Estimate 1987-88
Administration		
HEAD OFFICE		
Senior Management	480,569.14	571,500
Senior Citizens Secretariat	387,982.72	219,400
Family Court — Judicial	976,009.49	1,210,900
Direct Grants	1,802,879.00	1,960,800
Audit Services	296,615.44	332,000
Financial Services	1,664,764.58	1,721,100
Appeal Services	171,925.88	178,700
Staff Training	72,399.94	95,700
Total	5,853,146.19	6,290,100
HOME CARE		750,000
FIELD SERVICES — HEAD OFFICE		
Administration	218,718.53	284,200
Psychological Services	152,436.22	194,400
Total	371,154.75	478,600
FIELD SERVICES — CAPE BRETON REGION		
Administration	262,972.34	321,000
Rehabilitation Services	208,396.04	245,100
Services for the Mentally Handicapped	—	—
Family Benefits	760,673,89	879,600
Community Services	93,244.16	138,600
Municipal Contracts	124,328.70	138,700
Family Court Services	682,816.39	859,400
Total	2,132,431.52	2,582,400
FIELD SERVICES — NORTH SHORE REGION		
Administration	507,786.70	534,100
Rehabilitation Services	127,897.42	143,500
Services for the Mentally Handicapped	29,272.56	—
Family Benefits	355,439.74	399,500
Community Services	45,921.70	53,100
Municipal Contracts	267,274.97	301,100
Family Court Services	530,506.62	796,200
Children's Services	144,557.41	190,500
Total	2,008,657.12	2,418,000

	Actual Expenditures 1986-87	Approved Estimate 1987-88
FIELD SERVICES – HALIFAX REGION		
Administration	451,294.05	490,200
Rehabilitation Services	213,324.68	275,000
Family Benefits	748,494.39	861,200
Community Services	34,802.37	38,400
Municipal Contracts	—	—
Family Court Services	979,136.99	1,170,300
Children's Services	1,063,427.59	1,474,400
Day Care Services	60,866.71	72,300
Total	3,551,346.78	4,381,800
FIELD SERVICES – CENTRAL REGION		
Administration	385,650.55	455,900
Rehabilitation Services	123,266.86	158,000
Family Benefits	305,008.48	356,400
Municipal Contracts	333,994.68	383,00
Family Court Services	410,301.99	621,500
Total	1,558,222.56	1,974,800
FIELD SERVICES – WESTERN REGION		
Administration	390,124.50	435,500
Rehabilitation Services	49,051.68	75,000
Family Benefits	273,157.00	314,000
Municipal Contracts	274,953.44	327,900
Family Court Services	208,997.93	324,000
Children's Services	109,275.91	138,100
Total	1,305,560.46	1,614,500
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	16,780,519.3	20,490,220

	Actual Expenditures 1986-87	Approved Estimate 1987-88
Family and Children's Services		
CHILDREN'S SERVICES		
Administration	566,307.57	705,300
Maintenance — Foster Homes	3,665,197.31	3,981,300
Maintenance — Community Residential Facilities	2,262,864.73	2,982,700
Apprehension Costs	412,661.32	425,000
Voluntary Care	683,010.32	695,000
Payments to Children's Service Agencies	5,415,682.91	5,871,100
Payments to Private Agencies for Unmarried Mothers	469,950.50	542,600
Payments to Transition and Safe Houses	637,005.97	834,900
Total	14,112,680.63	16,037,900
NOVA SCOTIA RESIDENTIAL CENTRE		
Administration	275,837.97	322,300
Operating and Maintenance	316,617.84	331,000
Academic/Vocational and Social Services	262,974.97	369,200
Daily Living Programs	618,860.59	657,000
Total	1,474,291.37	1,679,500
DAY CARE SERVICES		
Administration	259,075.52	293,500
Payments to Child Development Centres	179,638.00	201,600
Day Care Subsidy	5,603,248.34	6,549,400
Total	6,041,961.86	7,044,500
HOMEMAKERS SERVICES		
Administration	69,481.54	78,100
Homemakers Subsidy	3,256,130.57	2,900,000
Total	3,325,612.11	2,978,100
TOTAL FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES	24,954,545.97	27,740,000

	Actual Expenditures 1986-87	Approved Estimate 1987-88
Rehabilition and Community Services		
SERVICES FOR THE HANDICAPPED		
Administration	536,214.14	630,100
Maintenance of Children in Foster Homes	157,063.81	283,300
Maintenance of Children in Nursing Homes	61,601.06	30,000
Adult Protection Services	129,335.99	207,800
Total	884,215.00	1,151,200
COMMUNITY SERVICES		
Administration	171,052.33	156,700
Summer Programs	437,250.01	508,900
Total	608,302.34	665,600
REHABILITATION SERVICES		
Administration	229,122.30	241,500
Payments to Rehabilitation Workshops	2,552,861.74	2,835,200
Payments to Work Activity Projects	1,165,000.00	1,487,500
Total	3,946,984.04	4,564,200
NOVA SCOTIA YOUTH TRAINING CENTRE		
Administration	612,907.66	732,200
Operating and Maintenance	802,450.69	884,300
Daily Living Program	1,664,427.11	1,956,500
Academic/Vocational and Social Services	677,027.05	825,300
Total	3,756,812.51	4,398,300

	Actual Expenditures 1986-87	Approved Estimate 1987-88
CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRE – DARTMOUTH		
Administration	243,542.91	270,000
Daily Living Program	563,927.47	649,100
Operating and Maintenance	280,910.28	323,200
Total	1,088,380.66	1,242,300
CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRE – DIGBY		
Administration	197,264.20	240,100
Daily Living Program	429,959.93	569,300
Operating and Maintenance	248,511.69	292,300
Total	875,735.92	1,101,600
CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRE – PICTOU		
Administration	234,680.38	280,400
Daily Living Program	467,210.82	586,100
Operating and Maintenance	265,088.20	312,800
Total	966,979.40	1,179,300
CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRE – SYDNEY		
Administration	217,125.12	260,200
Daily Living Program	617,530.05	764,600
Operating and Maintenance	307,456.96	316,800
Total	1,142,112.13	1,341,600
TOTAL REHABILITATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES	13,269,521.90	15,644,100

	Actual Expenditures 1986-87	Approved Estimate 1987-88
Young Offenders Administration		
YOUNG OFFENDERS PROGRAMS		
Administration	409,306.07	673,200
Maintenance of Children	479,753.00	523,100
Total	889,059.07	1,196,300
SHELBURNE YOUTH CENTRE		
Administration	707,118.32	773,300
Operating and Maintenance	762,290.34	858,500
Academic/Vocational and Social Services	502,253.18	692,800
Daily Living Programs	1,267,091.75	1,567,100
Total	3,238,753.59	3,891,700
TOTAL YOUNG OFFENDERS ADMINISTRATION	4,127,812.66	5,088,000

	Actual Expenditures 1986-87	Approved Estimate 1987-88
Public Assistance		
MUNICIPAL SOCIAL SERVICES		
Administration	445,745.70	533,500
Payments for General Assistance	30,328,282.51	31,037,700
Payments for Residential Care Facilities	1,881,885.90	1,792,000
Payments for Nursing Homes	10,102,129.32	10,355,600
Payments for Homes for the Aged	18,750,487.12	20,314,500
Payments for Group Homes and Developmental Residences	2,256,473.86	2,132,000
Payments for Adult Residential Centres	6,947,323.20	7,752,100
Payments for Regional Rehabilitation Centres	13,545,727.45	14,097,800
Construction Assistance — Homes for Special Care	15,000.00	—
Payments for Municipal Administration	5,783,560.49	6,247,100
Payments for Civil/Family Legal Aid	934,900.00	1,182,000
Total	90,991,515.55	95,444,300
FAMILY BENEFITS		
Administration	506,870.13	600,900
Family Benefits Review Board	62,858.35	67,600
Family Benefits Payments	117,357,202.86	123,746,000
Diabetic Assistance	258,177.00	292,800
Pharmacare Program	6,914,423.00	7,837,600
Total	125,099,531.34	132,544,900
SENIOR CITIZENS FINANCIAL AID		
Administration	364,454.29	342,900
Rental Assistance for Senior Citizens	910,635.86	950,000
Property Tax Rebate for Senior Citizens	3,180,480.98	3,428,300
Special Social Assistance Payments	10,361,328.25	10,557,300
Total	14,816,899.38	15,278,500
TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE	230,907,946.27	243,267,700

	Actual Expenditures 1986-87	Approved Estimate 1987-88
Other Social Services		
POLICY PLANNING AND RESEARCH		
Administration	309,080.76	416,300
Research Projects	563.80	197,900
Total	309,644.56	614,200
DATA PROCESSING SERVICES		
Administration	498,493.27	601,400
Data Processing	1,684,002.37	4,057,300
Total	2,182,495.64	4,658,700
SOCIAL SERVICES TRAINING PROGRAMS	60,658.18	157,900
INDIAN AFFAIRS	71,968.97	73,600
MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SERVICES — DESIGN	849,652.81	1,076,000
NOVA SCOTIA SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL	18,215.64	27,300
NOVA SCOTIA SENIOR CITIZENS' COMMISSION	21,592.75	30,900
TOTAL OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES	3,514,228.55	6,638,600
Total Department	293,554,574.73	318,868,600

Ordinary Recovery Detail

	Actual Expenditures 1986-87	Approved Estimate 1987-88
ADMINISTRATION		
Government of Canada	5,704,685.08	6,974,600
Municipalities	222,857.31	240,000
Other	291,255.00	285,000
Total	6,218,797.39	7,499,600
FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES		
Government of Canada	12,987,356.22	14,996,000
Municipalities	405,111.71	500,000
Other Provinces	53,247.69	50,000
Other	20,090.24	10,000
Total	13,465,805.86	15,556,000
REHABILITATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES		
Government of Canada	6,982,938.99	8,031,700
Municipalities	86,352.82	125,000
Total	7,069,291.81	8,156,700
YOUNG OFFENDERS ADMINISTRATION		
Government of Canada	3,065,986.22	2,749,700
Other Provinces	235,185.58	100,000
Municipalities	17,872.25	24,000
Total	3,319,044.05	2,873,700
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE		
Government of Canada	95,444,411.64	99,837,300
OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES		
Government of Canada	1,812,702.18	3,489,500
TOTAL ORDINARY RECOVERIES	127,330,052.93	137,412,800

Social Services

Audit Services Division

G.W. Hudson, C.A., B.B.A., Director

The Audit Services Division is responsible for providing assistance to departmental personnel to ensure that public funds are expended with due regard to economy and efficiency. This responsibility is discharged by applying traditional auditing techniques to the accounting and operating records generated by departmental personnel and by preparing reports to the responsible managers and the Deputy Minister with findings and recommendations. These auditing techniques are also used to determine whether or not funds provided to other agencies, Homes for Special Care and municipal units are in accordance with applicable legislation and agreements. Reports arising from these audits are also provided to responsible program personnel and the Deputy Minister. The Division conducts audits at Head Office and at field and agency offices throughout the province. Five auditors and one support person assist the Supervisor and Director of the Audit Services Division in the conduct of these audits.

During fiscal 1986/87 the Division issued over 210 audit reports, covering the gamut of departmental programs. Included were audits of the 13 children's aid societies and family and children's service agencies. The more extensive audit procedures of the past two years and the revision and standardization of the financial statement format used by

Staff of Audit Services Division

most of the agencies resulted in less audit time being required this year, allowing more time for audits of other programs.

Special reviews in which misappropriation of funds was suspected consumed a great deal more time in the past year compared with any year previously. In each case remedial steps were recommended that should reduce the likelihood of repeat offenses for each fraud uncovered.

Fiscal 1986/87 marked a significant step forward in the Division's capability to provide audit services to the Department, with the acquisition of a personal computer with the capability to access the Department's mainframe. Divisional staff will be employing this computer in developing computerized audit procedures to more effectively cover the transactions processed on computer by the Department or funded agencies.

The Supervisor of Audit Services is one of two departmental representatives on the board of the Preston Area Housing Fund. Administrative difficulties encountered by the fund were in part resolved by the direct involvement of the Supervisor of Audit Services in the financial administration of the fund.

A statistical summary of the audit reports produced in fiscal 1986/87 is as follows:

Day Care Centres	9
Homemakers	39
Adult Service Centres/Workshops	29
Municipal Assistance Programs	49
Children's Aid Societies	13
Family Courts	6
Trust Accounts—Homes for Special Care	39
Family Benefits—Field Office Reviews	6
—Related Reviews	3
Seniors Programs	3
Work Activity Projects	3
Special Investigations for Fraud	9
Other	3
Total	211

Social Services

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Family and Children's Services Division

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Vacant	Co-ordinator, Maintenance Enforcement Program

Family Benefits Division

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Rehabilitation and Community Services Division

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Children's Aid Societies

Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County

Annapolis Royal, N.S. B0S 1A0

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President — Rev. Robert Matthews

Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton

Provincial Building
Sydney, N.S. B1P 5L1

Executive Director — F.A. "Sandy" Bowes

President — Marlene Lovett

Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County

P.O. Box 950
Truro, N.S. B2N 5G7

Executive Director — Harvey J. MacArthur, M.S.W.

President — Betty Gruchy

Family and Children's Services for Cumberland County

Box 399
Amherst, N.S. B4H 3Z8

Executive Director — Don Russell, M.S.W.

President — David Dinault

Children's Aid Society of Halifax

5244 South Street
Halifax, N.S. B3J 1A4

Executive Director — Marilyn R. Peers, M.S.W.

President — Alex Bruce

Family and Children's Services of Hants County

P.O. Box 99
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President	Wayne Pick

Children's Aid Society of Inverness-Richmond

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Port Hawkesbury, N.S. B0E 2B0

Executive Director	Gordon MacMaster
President	Doreen Beaton

Family and Children's Services of Kings County

P.O. Box 188
Kentville, N.S. B4N 3W7

Executive Director	Barry Costello, R.S.W.
President	Betty Hamilton

Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County

P.O. Box 170
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Executive Director	Mike Johnston, M.S.W.
President	Jennifer Dhalla

Children's Aid Society of Pictou County

P.O. Box 488
New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 5E5

Executive Director	Cyril Reddy
President	Dr. Bill Tidmarsh

Family and Children's Services of Queens County

P.O. Box 1360
Liverpool, N.S. B0T 1K0

Executive Director	Donald A. Burns
President	Kay Chandler

Children's Aid Society of Shelburne County

P.O. Box 9
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Executive Director	Raymond G. Harris
President	Donald Glover

Family and Children's Services of Yarmouth County

P.O. Box 460
Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 4B4

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President	Rev. A.D. "Bill" Newell

Municipal Social Service Workers

(*Municipal units that do not have an office or a full-time social service worker and in which the provincial government does not share administrative costs but does share assistant costs at the rate of 66 2/3%.)

Cities

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Towns

Amherst	Beverly McQuarrie Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 471 Amherst, N.S. B4H 4A1
Annapolis Royal	Brian Taylor Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 100 Municipal Administration Building Annapolis Royal, N.S. B0S 1A0
Antigonish	L.A. Mills District Supervisor	Antigonish District Office P.O. Box 1450 Antigonish, N.S. B2G 2L7
Bedford	Ed Mason Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 300 Armdale, N.S. B3L 4K3
Berwick	Henry Bourgeois Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 100 Kentville, N.S. B4N 3W3
Bridgetown*	William F. Hamilton Clerk-Treasurer	P.O. Box 309 Bridgetown, N.S. B0S 1C0
Bridgewater	Mike Johnston District Supervisor	Lunenburg District Office P.O. Box 170 Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 2W8
Canso	Harold M. Roberts District Supervisor	P.O. Box 90 Chedabucto Mall Guysborough, N.S. B0H 1N0
Clark's Harbour	Raymond G. Harris District Supervisor	Shelburne District Office P.O. Box 9 Barrington, N.S. B0W 1E0
Digby	Greg Wiseman District Supervisor	Digby District Office P.O. Box 399 Digby, N.S. B0V 1A0

Dominion	Gregory MacKenzie Social Service Worker	40 Duggan Street Dominion, N.S. B0A 1E0
Glace Bay	Robert McLennan Director of Social Services	Town Hall 5 MacKeen Street Glace Bay, N.S. B1A 5B9
Hantsport	Lubin Bourque District Supervisor	P.O. Box 2350 Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0
Kentville	Henry Bourgeois Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 100 Kentville, N.S. B4N 3W3
Liverpool	Donald Burns District Supervisor	Queens District Office P.O. Box 1360 Liverpool, N.S. B0T 1KO
Lockeport	Raymond G. Harris District Supervisor	Shelburne District Office P.O. Box 9 Barrington, N.S. B0W 1E0
Louisbourg*	Elaine MacPherson Clerk-Treasurer	P.O. Box 88 Louisbourg, N.S. B0A 1M0
Lunenburg	Mike Johnston District Supervisor	Lunenburg District Office P.O. Box 170 Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 2W8
Mahone Bay	Mike Johnston District Supervisor	Lunenburg District Office P.O. Box 170 Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 2W8
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Shelburne	Raymond G. Harris District Supervisor	Shelburne District Office P.O. Box 9 Barrington, N.S. B0W 1E0
Springhill	Beverly MacLeod Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 2549 Springhill, N.S. B0M 1X0
Stellarton	Cyril Reddy Regional Administrator	North Shore Regional Office P.O. Box 488 New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 5E5
Stewiacke*	Harvey MacArthur Executive Director	P.O. Box 950 Truro, N.S. B2N 5G7
Sydney Mines	Don MacKenzie Social Service Worker	Main Street Sydney Mines, N.S. B1V 2L4
Trenton	Cyril Reddy Regional Administrator	North Shore Regional Office P.O. Box 488 New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 5E5
Truro	Harvey MacArthur Executive Director	P.O. Box 950 Truro, N.S. B2N 5G7
Westville	Cyril Reddy Regional Administrator	North Shore Regional Office P.O. Box 488 New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 5E5
Windsor	Lubin Bourque District Supervisor	P.O. Box 2350 Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0
Wolfville	Lubin Bourque District Supervisor	P.O. Box 2350 Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0
Yarmouth	Douglas Raymond Regional Administrator	Western Regional Office P.O. Box 460 Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 4B5

Municipalities

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Argyle	Douglas Raymond Regional Administrator	Western Regional Office P.O. Box 460 Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 4B5
Barrington	Raymond G. Harris District Supervisor	Shelburne District Office P.O. Box 9 Barrington, N.S. B0W 1E0
Cape Breton County	High MacDonald Director of Social Services	865 Grand Lake Road Sydney, N.S. B1P 6W2
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Chester	Mike Johnston District Supervisor	Lunenburg District Office P.O. Box 170 Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 2W8
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Colchester County	Michael Roma Director of Social Services	Court House P.O. Box 697 Truro, N.S. B2N 5E7
Cumberland County	Rosemary Currie Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 399 24 Crescent Avenue Amherst, N.S. B4H 3Z5
Digby County	Greg Wiseman District Supervisor	Digby District Office P.O. Box 399 Digby, N.S. B0V 1A0
Guysborough	Harold M. Roberts District Supervisor	P.O. Box 90 Chedabucto Mall Guysborough, N.S. B0H 1N0
Halifax County	Edward C. Mason Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 300 Halifax, N.S. B3L 4K3
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Hants County (Hants East & Hants West)	Lubin Bourque District Supervisor	P.O. Box 2350 Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0
Inverness County	James F. Gillis Director of Social Services	Municipal Building Port Hood, N.S. B0E 2W0
Kings County	Henry Bourgeois Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 100 Kentville, N.S. B4N 3W3
Lunenburg County	Mike Johnston, M.S.W. District Supervisor	Lunenburg District Office P.O. Box 170 Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 2W8

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St. Mary's	L.A. Mills District Supervisor	Antigonish District Office P.O. Box 1450 Antigonish, N.S. B2G 2M5
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Yarmouth County	Douglas Raymond Regional Administrator	Western Regional Office P.O. Box 460 Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 4B4

Homes for Special Care

Residential Care Facilities

Annapolis County

	capacity
Nightingale Rest Home Mrs. Margaret Gallant P.O. Box 77 Granville Ferry, N.S. B0S 1K0	9
Grace Haven Mrs. Eileen Frost R.R. #4, Bridgetown, N.S. B0S 1C0	15
The Willows Mrs. P. Bathurst R.R. #1, Wilmot, N.S. B0P 1W0	7
Saunders Rest Home Mrs. James Saunders P.O. Box 114 Bridgetown, N.S. B0S 1C0	8
Toole's Rest Home Mrs. Paul Toole R.R. #1, Wilmot, N.S. B0P 1W0	6
Wallasey Place Mr. & Mrs. Randy White R.R. #2, Annapolis Royal, N.S. B0S 1A0	9

Antigonish County

Highland Crest Home Mrs. Martha MacNeil 44 Hillcrest Street Antigonish, N.S. B2G 2B5	40

Cape Breton Island *capacity*

Cameron House 12
Mrs. Dewey Cameron
St. George's Channel
R.R.#2, West Bay
Richmond Co., N.S.
B0E 3K0

Mayfair Guest Home 10
Mrs. Dorothy Dunphy
37 George Street
Sydney, N.S.
B1P 1H4

MacLeod's Boarding Home 6
Miss Jean MacLeod
P.O. Box 153
2 Williams Street
Donkin, N.S.
B0A 1G0

Victoria Haven 20
Mr. W. MacLeod
140 Main Street
Glace Bay, N.S.
B1A 4Y7

Jones Rest Home 7
Mrs. Jeanette Jones
1 Minto Street
Glace Bay,
N.S. B1A 5B2

Heritage House 7
Mr. & Mrs. E. Robertson
P.O. Box 81
Port Hood, N.S.
B0E 2W0

MacNabb's Boarding Home 5
Mrs. Agnes MacNabb
35 Commercial Street
Dominion, N.S.
B0A 1E0

capacity

John A. Carmichael 11
Rest Home
Mrs. Erma Carmichael
66 Queen Street
North Sydney, N.S.
B2A 1A3

New Dawn Guest House 27
Mrs. Anne Kennedy
141 Dominion Street
P.O. Box 1055
Sydney, N.S.
B1P 6H7

Terrace Manor 21
Mrs. John MacAulay
208 South Street
Glace Bay, N.S.
B1A 1W1

Robertson House 9
Mr. & Mrs. Lindsay Robertson
P.O. Box 83
Margaree Valley, N.S.
B0E 2C0

Midtown Villa 15
Mrs. E. Blanchard
2465 Plummer Avenue
New Waterford, N.S.
B1H 1Z5

Corinthian House 7
Mr. Tom Gunn
R.R. #1, Orangedale
Inverness Co., N.S.
B0E 2K0

Leblanc's Rest Home 8
Mrs. Agnes Leblanc
P.O. Box 616
Louisdale, N.S.
B0E 1V0

Colchester County	*capacity*		*capacity*
Townsview Estates Mr. C. Dale P.O. Box 1825 Truro, N.S. B2N 5Z5	78	Cunningham's Rest Home Mrs. Dorothy Cunningham P.O. Box 1145 Blair Avenue Tatamagouche, N.S. B0K 1V0	17
Karlaine Place Mrs. Bernice Barnhill P.O. Box 691 Truro, N.S. B2N 5E5	8	Riverside Rest Home Ms. Eileen Spence Stewiacke, N.S. B0N 2J0	9
MacNeil's Rest Home Mrs. John MacNeil Great Village, N.S. B0M 1L0	13	Westside Villa Mr. C. Dale 421 Prince Street Truro, N.S. B2N 1E6	26
Cumberland County			
Sunrise Villa Mrs. Jean Beaton West Pugwash, N.S. B0M 1L0	20	Wood's Rest Home Mr. & Mrs. N. Wood P.O. Box 181, Water St. Oxford, N.S. B0M 1P0	29
Hyland Rest Homes Ltd. Mrs. Shirley Forbes P.O. Box 487 Parrsboro, N.S. B0M 1S0	39	Shady Rest Estates Mr. Michael Dale P.O. Box 40 Oxford, N.S. B0M 1P0	24
Church Street Manor Ms. Denise Gabriel 52 Church Street Springhill, N.S. B0M 1X0	6	Advocate Manor Mrs. Georgia Lent Water Street Advocate, N.S. B0M 1A0	22
Digby County			
Sissiboo Rest Home Mrs. Sandra Duran Sissiboo Road, R.R. #4 Weymouth Mills, N.S. B0W 3T0	11	La Maison au Coucher du Soleil Mrs. Blanche Gaudet Saulnierville, N.S. B0W 2Z0	22

Halifax City and County *capacity*

Eastern Shore Guest Home 12
Miss Glenda Armsworthy Wilson
Musquodoboit Harbour, N.S.
B0J 2L0

Lynden Rest Home 19
Mrs. D. Morgan-Downie
6117 Jubilee Road
Halifax, N.S.
B3H 2E8

Nantucket Hall Ltd. 26
Mrs. Marlene Webber
10 Fairbanks Street
Dartmouth, N.S.
B3A 1B7

Twin Maples Villa 38
Mrs. Phyllis Hardy
349 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, N.S.
B2Y 3S4

Southwood Villa 20
Mrs. D. Morgan-Downie
153 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, N.S.
B2Y 3P8

Haven Manor 15
Ms. Hilda Stevens
6411 Coburg Road
Halifax, N.S.
B3H 2A6

Woodside Manor 29
Mrs. B.J. Robb
351 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, N.S.
B2Y 3S4

Harbour Glen Manor Ltd. 17
Deborah Morgan-Downey
229 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, N.S.
B2Y 3R5

Blue Dolphin Foster Villa 10
Mr. Allan James
Musquodoboit Harbour, N.S.
B0J 2L0

Hilltop Villa 11
Mr. C. Dorey
200 Main Street
Dartmouth, N.S.
B2X 1S3

Freeman's Rest Home 17
Mrs. Daisy Freeman
Lucasville Road
P.O. Box 233
Lower Sackville, N.S.
B3J 2R7

Hants County

Avonview Rest Home 16
Mr. & Mrs. James Walsh
Nunn Road
Summerville, N.S.
B0N 2K0

Bennett's Rest Home 7
Mrs. Claire Bennett
P.O. Box 37
Shubenacadie, N.S.
B0N 2H0

White's Rest Home 6
Mrs. H. White
R.R. #2, Kennetcook, N.S.
B0N 1P0

Kings County	*capacity*		*capacity*
Seyforth's Boarding Home Mrs. Barbara Seyforth R.R. #1, Berwick (Morristown), N.S. B0P 1E0	30	Eldridge's Rest Home Mrs. Judy Eldridge R.R. #1, Berwick, N.S. B0P 1E0	15
Wolfville Elms Mrs. Diana J. MacDonald 413 Main Street P.O. Box 16 Wolfville, N.S. B0P 1X0	18	Hirtle's Rest Home Mr. & Mrs. W. Hirtle Aylesford, N.S. B0P 1C0	26
Hirtle's Rest Home Mr. & Mrs. W. Hirtle 255 Commercial Street Berwick, N.S. B0P 1E0	16	Seyforth's Rest Home Mrs. Barbara Seyforth P.O. Box 129 120 Foster Street Berwick, N.S. B0P 1E0	26
Lunenburg County			
Pleasant Rest Home Mr. David Walker 45 Pleasant Street Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 1M9	22	Lohnes Rest Home Mrs. Rita Lohnes R.R. #1, Barss Corner, N.S. B0R 1A0	9
Pictou County			
Sunset Haven Home Mrs. Rita MacIsaac 253 Forbes Street New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 4P5	27	Shady Oaks Rest Home Mr. Larry Brezenski R.R. #2, Union Centre Westville, N.S. B0K 2A0	12
Queens County			
Hillsview Acres Mr. Raymond Fiske Middlefield, N.S. B0T 1K0	32		
Shelburne County			
Harbour View Rest Home Mr. & Mrs. Willard Holmes Crest Street P.O. Box 11 Lockeport, N.S. B0T 1L0	12	Abide-A-While Mrs. Carol Oxner R.R. #2, Shelburne, N.S. B0T 1W0	8

Group Homes & Developmental Residences

Antigonish County

capacity

L'Arche Group Home — 6
Ms. Judy O'Donnell
69 St. Ninian Street
Antigonish, N.S.
B2G 1Y7

Cape Breton Island

Developmental Residence — 7
Resi-Care (C.B.) Assoc.
Mr. Mike Walsh
880 George Street
Sydney, N.S.
B1P 1M1

Union Street Group Home — 9
Ms. Margaret Turnbull
30 Union Street
Sydney, N.S.
B1P 4X5

MacDonald Hall Group Home — 13
Mr. D. MacIvor
P.O. Box 220
Inverness, N.S.
B0E 1N0

70 George Street Group Home — 10
Resi-Care (C.B.) Assoc.
Mr. Mike Walsh
70 George Street
Sydney, N.S.
B1P 1H7

Clyde Ave. Developmental Residence — 7
Resi-Care (C.B.) Assoc.
Mr. Mike Walsh
11 Clyde Avenue
Sydney Mines, N.S.
B1V 2E3

Colchester County

McCully House Group Home — 8
Ms. Lillian DeCoste
82 Lorne Street
Truro, N.S.
B2N 3K3

capacity

Chemoi Group Home — 8
Mr. Stan Larade
P.O. Box 366
Cheticamp, N.S. B0E 1H0

Waycobah Developmental Residence — 5
Mr. Tom Gunn
R.R. #1, Orangedale, N.S.
B0E 2K0

Byng Avenue Group Home — 9
Ms. Margaret Turnbull
93 Byng Avenue
Sydney, N.S.
B1P 5C1

Corinthian House Group Home — 7
Mr. Tom Gunn
R.R. #1, Orangedale, N.S.
B0E 2K0

Unity House Group Home — 7
Mr. Al Ross
General Delivery
East Bay, N.S.
B0A 1H0

Cumberland County *capacity*

Amherst Group Home 8
Mr. Ed Thibodeau
1 Rupert Street
Amherst, N.S.
B4H 3R2

Halifax County

Abbott Drive Developmental Residence 9
Ms. Bev Wicks
7097-7099 Abbott Drive
Halifax, N.S.
B3L 2L5

Gottingen Street Group Home 9
Mr. Larry Worthen
2690 Gottingen Street
Halifax, N.S.
B3K 3C7

Hawthorne Street Group Home 8
Ms. Bev Wicks
63 Hawthorne Street
Dartmouth, N.S.
B2Y 2Y7

Pleasant Street Developmental Residence 8
Ms. Bev Wicks
105 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, N.S.
B2Y 3P7

Oxford Street Group Home 12
Ms. Bev Wicks
1613 Oxford Street
Halifax, N.S.
B3H 3Z7

MacDougall Avenue Developmental Residence 7
Ms. Bev Wicks
30 MacDougall Drive
Lower Sackville, N.S.
B4C 3E7

capacity

Victoria Road Group Home 10
Mr. Larry Worthen
70 Victoria Road
Dartmouth, N.S.
B3A 1T8

Basinview Drive Developmental Residence 8
Ms. Bev Wicks
3838 Basinview Drive
Halifax, N.S.
B3K 5A2

Vernon Street Group Home 8
Ms. Bev Wicks
1648 Vernon Street
Halifax, N.S.
B3H 3N1

Robert Allen Drive Developmental Residence 7
Ms. Bev Wicks
31 Robert Allen Drive
Halifax, N.S.
B3M 3G9

Joseph Howe Drive Group Home 8
Mr. Larry Worthen
3235-3241 Joseph Howe Drive
Halifax, N.S.
B3L 4A3

Home for Independent Living 6
2505 Oxford Street
Halifax, N.S.
B3L 2T5

Hants County *capacity*

Kings Meadows Group Home 10
Gary Campbell
R.R. #1
Windsor, N.S.
B0N 2T0

Kings County

Kentville Group Home 8
Mr. Bob Hartlen
14 Oakdene Terrance
Kentville, N.S.
B4N 2B5

Lunenburg County

LaHave Manor Group Home 9
Mrs. Carolyn Mossman
58 Alexandra Avenue
Bridgewater, N.S.
B4V 1H1

Pictou County

Temperance Street 8
Developmental Residence
Mrs. Linda Olding
304 Temperance Street
New Glasgow, N.S.
B2H 3B5

capacity

Lantz Group Home 8
Mr. Robin C. Strickland
P.O. Box 175
Lantz, N.S.
B0N 1R0

Wolfville Developmental 11
Residence
Mr. Bob Hartlen
462 Main Street
Wolfville, N.S.
B0P 1X0

Bonny Lea Farm 19
Mr. Jim MacFarlane
P.O. Box 560
Chester, N.S.
B0J 1J0

Foord Street Group Home 8
Mrs. Linda Olding
c/o 304 Temperance Street
New Glasgow, N.S.
B2H 3B5

Licensed Nursing Homes

Annapolis County

Stewart's Nursing Home 14
Mrs. C.A. Stewart
808 St. George Street
Annapolis Royal, N.S.
B0S 1A0

Annapolis Royal 43
Nursing Home
Mrs. Florence Wolfe
St. George Street
Annapolis Royal, N.S.
B0S 1A0

Cape Breton Island *capacity*

Spring Garden Villa 264
Mrs. K. Wrathell
70 St. Anthony's Drive
Sydney, N.S.
B1S 2R5

MacGillivray Guest Home 74
Sister Amelia Deveau
25 Xavier Drive
Sydney, N.S.
B1S 2R9

Victoria Haven Nursing Home 23
Mr. Harold MacLeod
429A Third Street
Glace Bay, N.S.
B1A 4G6

St. Anne's Community & Nursing Care Centre 24
Mrs. Myrtle Boudreau
P.O. Box 128
Arichat, N.S.
B0E 1A0

Colchester County

Glenview Lodge 47
Mr. Charles Dale
East Prince Street
Truro, N.S.
B2N 5B2

Hillcrest Manors Ltd. 119
Mrs. Carol MacMillan
P.O. Box 1210
Manor Drive
Truro, N.S.
B2N 5H1

Cumberland County

MacAloney's Nursing Home 36
Mr. A.J. MacAloney
17 McFarlane Street
Springhill, N.S.
B0M 1X0

The Gables Lodge Home 95
Mr. & Mrs. Syed Hussain
252 Church Street
Amherst, N.S.
B4H 3B3

Guysborough County

MacKaracher's Nursing Home 30
Mr. & Mrs. L.R. MacKaracher
Sherbrooke, N.S.
B0J 3C0

Halifax City and County *capacity*

Glades Lodge 123
Mrs. Jan White
25 Alton Drive
Armdale, N.S.
B3N 1M1

Fairview Villa 207
Mr. R. Grabowski
245 Main Avenue
Fairview, N.S.
B3M 1B7

Park Haven Estates 249
Mrs. Susan Reed
126 Purcell's Cove Road
Halifax, N.S.
B3P 1B5

Kings County

Wolfville Nursing Home 66
Mrs. Diana J. MacDonald
345 Main Street
Wolfville, N.S.
B0P 1X0

Lunenburg County

Mahone Nursing Home 35
Mr. W. Currie
P.O. Box 320
Mahone Bay, N.S.
B0J 2E0

Queens County

North Queens Nursing Home 42
Mrs. Jean Fancy
P.O. Box 181
Caledonia, N.S.
B0T 1B0

Shelburne County

Surf Lodge Nursing Home 26
Mr. & Mrs. Willard Holmes
P.O. Box 160
Lockeport, N.S.
B0T 1L0

capacity

Scotia Nursing Home 45
Mr. Lawrence J. McKenna
Beaverbank, N.S.
B0N 1A0

Colonial Nursing Home 24
Mrs. Deborah Morgan-Downey
1019 Lucknow Street
Halifax, N.S.
B3H 2T2

Palmeter's Country 97
Nursing Home
Mr. E.G. Griffin
655 Park Street
Kentville, N.S.
B4N 3V7

Yarmouth County	*capacity*
Villa St. Joseph du Lac Sister Estelle Arsenault R.R. #1 P.O. Box 810, Lakeside Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 4A5	79

Municipally Operated Homes for the Aged

Annapolis County

Mountain Lea Lodge Mr. Larry Masters R.R. #1, Church Street Bridgetown, N.S. B0S 1C0	106

Antigonish County

R.K. MacDonald Guest Home Rose Evelyn Lindsay 64 Pleasant Street Antigonish, N.S. B2G 1W7	106

Cape Breton Island

Alderwood Home for the Aged Mrs. Marcella Roberts P.O. Box 218 Baddeck, N.S. B0E 1B0	69
Seaview Manor Mr. Dan Munroe 272 South Street Glace Bay, N.S. B1A 1W6	101
Inverary Manor Mr. Peter D. Roney Box 460, Maple Street Inverness, N.S. B0E 1N0	60
Richmond Villa Miss Isabelle Johnston P.O. Box 250 St. Peters, N.S. B0E 3B0	75
Foyer Pere Fiset Mrs. Lorraine Aucoin Cheticamp, N.S. B0E 1H0	60
Highland Manor Mrs. Donna Rideout Neils Harbour, N.S. B0C 1N0	20

Cumberland County *capacity*

East Cumberland Lodge 65
Ms. Brenda Benjamin
P.O. Box 250
Pugwash, N.S.
B0K 1L0

Digby County

Tideview Terrace 80
Mr. Russell Stonehouse
P.O. Box 1120
Digby, N.S.
B0V 1A0

Villa Acadienne 72
Mr. H. Saulnier
P.O. Box 178
Meteghan, N.S.
B0W 2K0

Guysborough County

Hazel Hill Rest Home 41
Mrs. E. Richard
R.R. #1, Hazel Hill
Canso, N.S.
B0H 1H0

Halifax County

Ocean View Manor 182
Mr. John Morrison
Box 130
Eastern Passage
Halifax, N.S.
B0J 1L0

Hants County

Dykeland Lodge 75
Mr. W. Robert Brooks
Curry's Corner
Windsor, N.S.
B0N 2T0

Kings County

Grand View Manor 100
Mr. Richard E. Wagner
P.O. Box 309
Berwick, N.S.
B0P 1E0

Lunenburg County	*capacity*
Harbour View Haven Mr. G.W. Crouse P.O. Box 1480 Blockhouse Hill Road Lunenburg, N.S. B0J 2C0	127

Pictou County

Edward Mortimer Place Mr. Ralph Heighton P.O. Box 250 Haliburton Road Pictou, N.S. B0K 1H0	77	Valley View Villa Mr. David Lank R.R. #1, Riverton, N.S. B0K 2S0	96
Glen Haven Manor Mr. J. Ferguson 739 East River Road New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 5E9	212		

Queens County

Queen's Manor Mr. B. Selig P.O. Box 1283, Liverpool Queen's County, N.S. B0T 1K0	60

Shelburne County

Roseway Manor Inc. Mrs. Joan Lay Box 518, Sandy Point Shelburne County, N.S. B0T 1W0	65

Privately Operated Homes for the Aged

Cape Breton Island

capacity

The Cove
Mr. Alfred Matheson
Kings Road
Sydney, N.S.
B1S 1B9
108

Maple Hill Manor
Mrs. M. Yurczyszyn
700 King Street
New Waterford, N.S.
B1H 3Z5
50

Northside Community
Guest Home
Mrs. L. MacEachern
11 Queen Street
North Sydney, N.S.
B2A 1A2
90

Colchester County

Willow Lodge
Mr. Doug Cunningham
Blair Avenue
Tatamagouche, N.S.
B0K 1V0
51

Halifax County

Northwood Complex
Mr. Lloyd Brown
2630 Gottingen Street
Halifax, N.S.
B3K 3C6
576

The Birches
Mrs. J. Crowell
Musquodoboit Harbour, N.S.
B0J 2L0
40

St. Vincent's Guest Home
Mr. John Keohan
2080 Windsor Street
Halifax, N.S.
B3K 5B1
162

Oakwood Terrace
Mr. W. Clarke
10 Mount Hope Avenue
Dartmouth, N.S.
B2Y 4K1
110

Duncan MacMillan Home
Mrs. L. Seasons
Sheet Harbour, N.S.
B0J 3B0
25

Hants County

Windsor Elms
Mr. Donald Reid
590 King Street
Windsor, N.S.
B0N 2T0
120

Freemason's Home
Mrs. I. Mounce
558 Wentworth St.
Windsor, N.S.
B0N 2T0
60

Lunenburg County	*capacity*		*capacity*
Hillside Pines 77 Exhibition Avenue Bridgewater, N.S. B4B 2X6	50	Rosedale Home Mrs. D. Cahoon P.O. Box 8 New Germany, N.S. B0R 1E0	29
Shoreham Village P.O. Box 380 Chester, N.S. B0J 1J0	82		
Pictou County			
I.O.O.F. Home Ms. Janet Johnston P.O. Box 850 Pictou, N.S. B0K 1H0	41		
Yarmouth County			
Tidal View Manor Mr. J.F. McEachern 60 Vancouver Street Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 2P5	103		

Specialized Institutional Facilities for the Mentally Handicapped

Adult Residential Centres

Annapolis County

Annapolis Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) 53
Ms. Patricia MacDougall, Administrator
R.R. #1, Bridgetown, N.S. B0S 1C0

Cape Breton Island

Braemore Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) 70
Miss C. MacIntyre, Administrator
P.O. Box 515
Sydney River, N.S. B1P 6H4

Mary's Hill Adult Residential Centre (privately operated) 46
Mrs. Joan MacLellan, Administrator
P.O. Box 50
Mabou, N.S. B0E 1X0

Cumberland County	*capacity*
Sunset Home Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) Mr. Denis Brown, Administrator P.O. Box 130 South Pugwash, N.S. B0K 1L0	145
Halifax County	
Scotia Adult Residential Centre (privately operated) Mr. Lawrence J. McKenna, Administrator Beaverbank, N.S. B0N 1A0	165
Kings County	
Kings County Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) Mr. K. Menzies Waterville, N.S. B0P 1V0	43
Lunenburg County	
LaHave Manor Corp. Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) Mr. Leslie Mason R.R. #3, Dayspring, Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 2W2	65
Pictou County	
Pictou County Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) Mrs. Susan Curley, Administrator R.R. #1, Stellarton, N.S. B0K 1S0	98
Shelburne County	
Bayside Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) Mrs. Joanne Rose, Administrator Barrington, N.S. B0W 1E0	30
Yarmouth County	
Harbourside Lodge (privately operated) Mr. J.G. McEachern, Administrator Vancouver Street Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 2P5	64

Regional Rehabilitation Centres

capacity

Cape Breton Island

Braemore Regional Rehabilitation Centre — 60
Miss C. MacIntyre, Administrator
P.O. Box 515
Sydney River, N.S. B1P 6H4

Halifax County

Halifax County Regional Rehabilitation Centre — 229
Mrs. J. Calder, Administrator
P.O. Box 1003
Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 3Z7

Kings County

Kings Regional Rehabilitation Centre — 91
Mr. Keith Menzies, Administrator
Waterville, N.S. B0P 1V0

Children's Facilities

Community Residential Care Facilities

Cape Breton County

C.A.S. of Cape Breton Group Home — 5
F.A. "Sandy" Bowes
226 Whitney Avenue
Sydney, N.S. B1P 5A4

Liscombe House (C.A.S. of Cape Breton) — 5
F.A. "Sandy" Bowes
84 Charlotte Street
Sydney, N.S. B1P 1B7

Halifax County

Halifax Children's Aid Society — 5
Ms. Marilyn Peers, Executive Director
1751 Oxford Street
Halifax, N.S. B3H 2Z8

Y.M.C.A. Walnut Street Group Home — 6
Mr. Bill Vangorder
1841 Walnut Street
Halifax, N.S. B3H 3S8

	capacity
Sister of the Good Shepherd Group Home Sister Bernadette Collins 5724 South Street Halifax, N.S. B3H 1S4	5
Hants County	
Family and Children's Services of Hants County Lubin Bourque 2 Avon Street Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0	6
Lunenburg County	
Special Foster Home Mike Johnston 156 York Street Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 1R3	5
Cumberland County	
Ramsay House Mr. Bob Mullins 151 Victoria Street E. Amherst, N.S. B4H 1Y2	6

Children's Residential Centres

Boys' Residential Centres Mr. Frank Capstick 680 King Street New Waterford, N.S. B1H 3Z3	11
Nova Scotia Residential Centre Mr. Bill MacLeod P.O. Box 826 Truro, N.S. B2N 5G6	48
Residential Centre, Halifax Sister Bernadette Collins 1172 South Park Street Halifax, N.S. B3H 2W8	11
Residential Centre, Hebron Mr. Brian Amirault P.O. Box 95 Hebron, Yarmouth Co., N.S. B0W 1X0	12

Child Caring Facilities

capacity

Cape Breton County

Bairncroft — 15
Ms. Joan Ingall, Superintendent
1612 Kings Road
Sydney, N.S. B1S 1E5
Phone 562-4284

Salvation Army Parkdale House — 15
Major Alma King, Superintendent
47 Byng Avenue
Sydney, N.S. B1P 5B9
Phone 562-5827

Annapolis County

S.O.S. Children's Village — 7
Mr. Jack Beaudin
Nova Scotia-Canada Society
Margaretsville, N.S. B0S 1N0

Halifax County

Hawthorne House — 8
131 Prince Albert Road
Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 1M5

Independence Home, Halifax Region — 4
Linden Lea Court
Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 2E2

Johnson House — 8
518 Pleasant Street
Dartmouth, N.S. B2W 1A4

Jubien House — 8
233 Purcell's Cove Road
Halifax, N.S. B3P 1B9

Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children — 32
1018 Main Street
Dartmouth, N.S. B2W 4X9

Children's Training Centres

	capacity
Children's Training Centre Janet Bray 270 Pleasant Street Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 3S3	40
Children's Training Centre Mr. Ray Francis P.O. Box 970 Digby, N.S. B0V 1A0	40
Children's Training Centre Mrs. Nina Clarke P.O. Box 880 Pictou, N.S. B0K 1A0	40
Children's Training Centre Mr. George Kingham P.O. Box 69 Sydney, N.S. B1V 2Y4	40

Youth Training Centre

Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre Mr. John Walker, Superintendent P.O. Box 460 Truro, N.S. B2N 5C7	198

Custody Facilities—Young Offenders Act

Shelburne Youth Centre Mr. Heikki Muinonen, Superintendent P.O. Box 400 Shelburne, N.S. B0T 1W0 Phone 875-3191	150
Cape Breton Youth Resource Centre Ms. Ann Shears, Director 571 Esplanade Sydney, N.S. B1P 1B4 Phone 564-0032	14

Specialized Nursing Care Facility for Children

Palmeter's Country Nursing Home Children's Unit Mr. E.G. Griffin 655 Park Street Kentville, N.S. B4N 3V7	27

Private Child-Caring Institutions	*capacity*
Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children Mr. Wilfred Jackson, Executive Director 1018 Main Street Dartmouth, N.S. B2W 4X9 Phone 434-0674	32
Home of the Guardian Angel Sister M.S. Burns, Superintendent 6345 Coburg Road Halifax, N.S. B3H 2A4 Phone 422-7964	8
Salvation Army Bethany House Captain Gloria Bourden 980 Tower Road Halifax, N.S. B3H 2Y4 Phone 422-5900	9
Bairncroft Ms. Joan Ingall, Superintendent 1612 Kings Road Sydney, N.S. B1S 1E5 Phone 562-4284	15
Salvation Army Parkdale House Major Alma King, Superintendent 47 Byng Avenue Sydney, N.S. B1P 5B9 Phone 562-5827	15

Adult Service Centres

Cape Breton Region

The Green Door Society Ltd. P.O. Box 266, Cheticamp, N.S. B0E 1H0 Manager: Georgina Poirier Phone 224-2000	20
Northside Adult Service Centre Haley Street North Sydney, N.S. Manager: Marguerite Ratchford Phone 794-3517	30
Regional Occupational Centre Vocational School Residence P.O. Box 839 Port Hawkesbury, N.S. B0E 2V0 Manager: Trina Hughes Phone 625-0132	17

	capacity
Sydney Kinsmen Resource Centre 780 Prince Street Sydney, N.S. B1P 5N6 Manager: Peggy Beaton Phone 539-8553	70
Brass Tack Workshop Box 444, Glace Bay, N.S. B1A 6B4 Manager: Shirley Romo	20
Central Region	
Endale Industries P.O. Box 222, Elmsdale, N.S. B0N 1M0 Manager: Mary Collier Phone 883-9404	30
Windsor Adult Vocational Services Centre P.O. Box 1075 184 King Street Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0 Manager: Dorothy Miller Phone 798-5160	20
Beehive Adult Service Centre Commercial Street Aylesford, Kings Co., N.S. B0P 1C0 Manager: Bernie Jackson Phone 427-9443	30
The Flower Cart 1196 Commercial Street New Minas, N.S. Manager: Jim Oulton Phone 678-2478	40
Queens Adult Service Centre P.O. Box 100, Liverpool, N.S. B0T 1K0 Manager: Murray Kirkpatrick Phone 354-4830	35
The Ark Industries R.R. #1, Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 2V9 Manager: Ms. Kelly Bang Phone 543-5380	40
Wolfville Workshop Elm Ave., Box 2 Wolfville, N.S. B0P 1X0 Manager: Kevin West Phone 542-7332	15

	capacity
Revolving Door Annapolis East CAMR P.O. Box 45, Lawrencetown, N.S. B0S 1M0 Chairperson: Tom Porter Phone 584-3332	40

Halifax Region

DASC Industries 10 Akerley Blvd., Suite 24 Burnside Industrial Park Dartmouth, N.S. B3B 1J4 Manager: Pat Devlin Phone 469-0856	80
Halifax Adult Service Centre 3430 Prescott Street Halifax, N.S. B3K 4Y4 Manager: Ellen Baldin Phone 454-7387	115
Anchor Industries Sackville Industrial Park 61 Glendale Avenue Lower Sackville, N.S. B4C 3J7 Manager: Cathy Deagle Phone 835-5188	40

North Shore Region

The Bridge Adult Service Centre 10 Croft Street Amherst, N.S. B4H 2Z4 Manager: Mrs. Audrey Simpson Phone 667-8433	20
Heatherton Adult Service Centre P.O. Box 35, Heatherton, Antigonish Co., N.S. B0H 1R0 Manager: Ms. Jovita Chisholm Phone 386-2808	8
Summer Street Industries 874 Summer Street New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 3Z2 Manager: Jeri Egan Phone 755-1945	40
Golden Opportunity Vocational and Rehabilitation Centre 25 King Street Springhill, N.S. B0M 1X0 Manager: Mrs. Joanne Hunter Phone 597-3158	20

	capacity
CAMR Community Workshop 83 Saint Ninian Street, Box 1330 Antigonish Co., N.S. B2G 1Y7 Manager: Mr. Leonard MacDonald Phone 863-5024	25
Butler Adult Service Centre 76 Lorne Street Extension P.O. Box 396, Truro, N.S. B2N 5C5 Manager: Ann Cooper Phone 895-5917	40

Western Region

Atelier de Clare Université Sainte-Anne Church Point Digby, N.S. B0W 1M0 Manager: Noland Belliveau Phone 769-3202	11
The Conway Workshop R.R. #2, Digby, N.S. B0V 1A0 Manager: James Woods Phone 245-5391	15
Kay Nickerson Adult Service Centre 83 Parade Street Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 4B1 Manager: Hubert Devine Phone 742-2238	30

Sheltered Workshops

J.O.B.S. Unlimited P.O. Box 1524, Truro, N.S. B2N 5V2 Manager: Duncan Randall Phone 893-8819	20
New Leaf Enterprises 3125 Kempt Road Halifax, N.S. B3N 5N6 Manager: Joseph LeBlanc Phone 429-3420	25

	capacity
Lake City Industries 386 Windmill Road Dartmouth, N.S. B3A 1J5 Manager: Christopher Fyles Phone 469-0247	20
Inverness Cottage Workshop P.O. Box 458, Railway St. Inverness, N.S. B0E 1N0 Manager: Caroline MacLean Phone 258-3316	25

Personnel and Office Telephone Numbers

Regional Offices

Halifax	424-4150
New Glasgow	755-5950
Yarmouth	742-7871
Kentville	678-6176
Sydney	562-5506

District Offices

Amherst	667-3336
Annapolis	532-2337
Antigonish	863-3213
Barrington	637-2335
Bridgewater	543-2411
Colchester	895-6337
Cumberland	667-3336
Dartmouth	424-3298
Digby	245-2581
Guysborough	533-4007
Hants	798-8319
Liverpool	354-3422
Lunenburg	543-2411
Port Hawkesbury	625-0660
Queens	354-3422
Sackville	865-5750
Shelburne	637-2335
Truro	895-6337
Windsor	798-8319

Sub-Offices

New Waterford	862-6289
Springhill	597-8157
Sydney Mines	736-6270
Whitney Pier	564-9497

Family Court

Halifax	424-3990
Sydney	563-2200
New Glasgow	755-6520
Dartmouth	424-4600
Amherst	667-3598
Yarmouth	742-7871
Kentville	768-8345

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